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■ ART inspired by the South Dorset Ridgeway was on show in Martinstown at the weekend.

A touring exhibition was on show in the village hall while traditional crafts and displays were on offer at the nearby village green. See page 11 for full story.

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JUST days remain for public comments on new waste sites for Dorchester.

The proposals include a new site north west of Stinsford Hill and the former radio station site off Bridport Road.

Also being considered is the current county council depot site at Charminster as a depot for refuse vehicles.

In a surprise move the existing household recycling centre at the end of St George's Road has emerged as the favoured site for the town's waste centre – although the site has long been criticised by local people because of the narrow road access, parts of which often flood.

It had been assumed that the site would be ruled out because of its problems – but is now emerging as the preferred option.

The county council is exploring ways of expanding the site, taking in part of the adjoining sewage works, to allow for one-way traffic and a covered area on two levels, allowing better access than the existing skips, which have to be reached via steps.

Council research shows that the road, effectively a single-lane at the end, takes more than 116,000 vehicles a year and around 1,000 HGVs which are needed to move the skips.

Plus points which have emerged for improving the site are the fact that most local people know where it is and that almost 21,000 homes are within five miles of the site.

Among the points against it is the narrowness of the road, which passes a residential area and businesses, including the new Red Cow development, and the fact that some of the proposed site extension lies within a flood zone.

Risks include a threat to the adjoining water meadows and the River Frome which is listed as a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

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■ THE existing Dorchester waste site at St George's Road could be expanded and improved under new proposals

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60 SECOND INTERVIEW

YOUNG mother Kelly Apps , well known in West Dorset and East Devon as a talented stage performer, is embarking on the biggest challenge of her life by opening a new estate agency, Axe Valley Property, based in Chard Street, Axminster.

Born and educated in Lyme Regis, Kelly has worked for 18 years in the property industry and property law departments.

Her newly-launched agency will handle lettings, residential and commercial transactions.

A member of the talented Street family, Kelly, a mother of two, is well known as one of the most popular stage performers in the locality, having received rave reviews in recent years for her musical theatre roles in Lyme Regis and Axminster, especially in the role of Evita.

● THE property market is very volatile at the moment, with a great amount of uncertainty after the EU referendum. Is there any evidence of this locally and how do you think it will pan out in the future?
There is often a lull in the property market where we see political changes. This change is of mammoth proportions but I am encouraged by the level of enquiries and business following the referendum, it shows a determination by people not to bow down to the scaremongering.

● WHAT do you think will give you the edge when potential sellers are looking for an estate agent to handle their property?
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I also have strong connections with the town having been involved in theatre there for nearly 20 years. It's close to my heart.

● YOU are a young mother and you have to spend a great deal of time in intense rehearsals for the leading roles for you play on the local stage. How do you balance these with running a business again?
I think temporarily the limelight will need to take a back seat. My priority is the business and, of course, my children but I work every hour to achieve great results in seemingly short periods of time. I am confident.

● YOU come from a talented stage family with your cousin Luke having appeared on the West End stage. How old were you when your first appeared in a show?
I was about five – I had a walk on part in a Lyme Panto.

● YOUR portrayal of Evita at Lyme Regis two years ago was considered to be one of the most professional seen on the local stage. If you could choose another favourite role to play, what would it be?
I am incapable of having a favourite in anything so I always have a top five: Evita (done), Magnolia (Showboat – which I have also done), Nancy (Oliver), The Narrator (Joseph AHATCD) and Shelby (Steele Magnolias – the play).

● IF you had to name the two great inspirations in your life, who would they be?
It's a cliché but my children for sure. Oli has complex disabilities and has faced some pretty tough stuff. Madi is a feisty little character, beautiful, bright and deals with her brother's disabilities better than most adults would - better than I do, in fact.

● IF you could invite three characters from history to share your dinner table, who would they be?
Eva Peron (respect), Karen Carpenter (such talent – so tragic) and JFK (huge fascination). I wish I could chose my top five - aaggghhh!

● IF you had to pass on one piece of advice to your children, what would it be?
Be yourself confidently and passionately and never allow yourself to be anything else, no matter what the pressures.

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Just days remain to comment on waste sites

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Residents in the area seemed surprised that the proposal for the household recycling centre was not for closure, as many had thought it was the likely outcome.

One said that, irrespective of the decision, those living at the Fordington end of the road were likely to get less traffic, because cars for the tip are expected to be diverted along Lubbecke Way and through to St George's Road on the new road currently being built at the Red Cow housing development.

But those further down the road, like Joyce Shehean, who lives in Fenway Close were not happy with the suggestion that the site was not only likely to stay open, but could be extended.

"We've had it for long enough, virtually all of my neighbours hoped it would close," said Joyce, "We get a lot of traffic and although I don't drive myself the family often say how dangerous it is sometimes."

Mrs Shehean said she thought it ought to have been possible to find a site on the edge of the county town where residential properties were not affected.

Of the other sites the one at Stinsford Hill, although large enough, is being ruled out by Highways because of the traffic it would create both in Dorchester at the Grays Bridge junction and at the nearby Stinsford roundabout.

There is also a risk to Wessex Water groundwater boreholes nearby and the effect the development would have on the landscape setting of the county town.

The former Radio Station site, off the Bridport Road, is currently being used as a bus garage with a number of other small businesses sharing what was previously the Friary Press building.

Problems here are that it lies within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and, being directly off the A35 on a straight stretch of road, could be an accident risk.

Comments on the proposals close on July 21st although with current budget cuts, it could be years before any action is taken.

A site, once proposed on the edge of Poundbury, has disappeared from the original proposals put on display earlier in the year.

Poundbury residents said at the time that they would fight any proposals which brought any form of waste facility anywhere near the 'Royal Estate.'

Cllr Peter Finney, Dorset County Council's Cabinet member for the environment, infrastructure and highways, said: "We strongly encourage people to give us their views on the proposals. This will help us to decide on the most suitable sites to take forward to protect the environment and also building a sustainable economy for the future."

Also being investigated as part of the plan is a new green waste composting site at Bourne Park, Piddlehinton alongside the existing anaerobic digestor run by a farming company. Comments can be made online or by completing a paper response form which can be requested from the minerals and waste planning policy team on Dorchester (01305) 228585.

DORCHESTER Youth Extra members with posters for this weekend's open air cinema event. From left Flyn Scott-Reilly, Flo Mercer, Susie Kibuga, Willow Shiels, Holly King

OUTDOOR cinema returns to Dorchester Borough Gardens this weekend – with a free showing of The Incredibles and Grease.

The Dorchester Youth Extra (DYE) event will also include live music on Saturday, July 16th.

The first film, The Incredibles, will be shown at 4pm followed by an interval during which there will be live music from young talented performers including Pop Club and Bluetown Rumble.

The second film, Grease, will be shown at 7pm.

Food stalls will be offering burgers, hotdogs and pizzas as well as candy floss, popcorn and ice-cream.

"Last year this was an extremely popular event and we are really pleased it is happening again this year. It is special because it brings people together of all ages and allows us to make full use of the lovely Borough Gardens Park" said Emma Scott, Community Development Officer, West Dorset District Council.

Attenders are encouraged to come early and bring a blanket or deckchair.

The event has been organised by DYE and is being sponsored by Dorchester Town Council.

Witnesses sought to shop robbery

DETECTIVES are appealing for witnesses and anyone with information after a robbery at a Dorchester shop.

The incident happened at around 7.35pm on Monday, July 11th at Shop on the Green, South Walks Road in Fordington.

A man entered the store around an hour earlier, selected a bottle of wine, but stated he forgot his bank card and left the store without the bottle. He returned at around 7.35pm, took sweets to the counter and when the till was opened he pushed the member of staff in the chest and grabbed cash from the till and left.

He got on a blue and white mountain bike with white diagonal stripes outside the shop and cycled toward the town centre.

The offender is described as white, aged in his 30s and of slim build. He was wearing a light blue waterproof jacket and black trousers.

Detective Sergeant Mark Winning, of Weymouth CID, said: "I am appealing to anyone who may have seen or heard anything suspicious in the area around the time of the offence.

"I am particularly interested in speaking to anyone who saw a man matching that description riding a bicycle in the area."

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THE long summer holiday is here and many parents and grandparents are looking for ways to entertain the children this summer, especially on rainy days.

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The theme for this year's event is 'The Big Friendly Read', celebrating the centenary of Roald Dahl's birth.

Aimed at youngsters aged four to 11, the challenge is to read or listen to six books over the summer holidays. This includes fact or fiction, audio books or magazines. Even joke books are included.

This is how it works: Visit the library and ask for a Big Friendly Read collector's folder, your child chooses some books and when they've read them, they return them to the library are rewarded with Roald Dahl cards to keep in the folder. When they've read six books, they'll be given a special medal and certificate

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Strike talks break down resulting in continued disruption to buses

LOCAL bus company First say they are disappointed that six hours of talks to try and resolve a pay dispute with drivers ended without a resolution.

The talks were held in Dorchester last Thursday, July 7th, when managers met with union officials.

The break-down means that the long-running strike action and 'work to rule' will continue for company drivers who are union members.

First say that, despite the action, the majority of their services have been, and will continue to run to schedule.

Said a company statement: "While talks were inconclusive, an offer of a 2.3 per cent pay increase over two years (which would take the hourly rate for drivers to £9 hour and which would also be backdated to last year) remains on the table.

"The union has agreed to ballot its members on it.

First Dorset has also committed to make its offer (2.3 per cent increase over two years) their minimum position at formal arbitration (meaning, subject to the arbitrator's decision, the drivers would get at least this, if not more) however the union are still refusing to go to ACAS for a binding decision."

Marc Reddy, Managing Director for First Dorset, explains: "My team and I met with union officials for six hours of talks on Thursday but we have not been able to reach a solution. The union are still demanding inflation busting pay increases, which cannot be sustained by our business."

Strike dates in the coming days included this Wednesday, 13th, Friday 15th and Sunday 17th.

Weekday buses not running on these days include the Service 14 (Portland to Weymouth and Thomas Hardye School), students are being advised to use Service 1 and 10 instead.

Others affected are the Service 53 (Bridport to Beaminster); Service 91 (Wyke Regis to Wey Valley School): the X52 (Bridport/Lyme Regis to Exeter; X54 (Weymouth, Wareham and Poole):

On Sunday 17th services expected to be affected include the X52 (Bridport/Lyme Regis to Exeter): X54 (Weymouth, Wareham and Poole).

Customers wanting more information about the services running during the industrial action can contact First Bus Customer Services Team, email ContactDorset@firstgroup.com or telephone 0345 6020121.

Regular updates will also be available on First Dorset's social media channels.

Celebrities make Time for Tea

JULIAN Fellowes (pictured), Brian Blessed, Sir Tom Stoppard and rock band The Vamps are among famous names posing for 'mugshots' in support of the Julia's House Time For Tea campaign this summer.

The stars join Julia's House Patrons, Jasper Conran, Eddie Howe, Harry Redknapp, Debra Stephenson, Minette Walters and Chris Jarvis as they rally behind the children's hospice charity's annual tea party fundraiser.

People across Dorset and Wiltshire are being encouraged to get together and hold tea parties and cake bakes at home, at work or in the community to help fund a precious resource - a Julia's House nurse or carer.

Just like the charity's celebrity supporters, people are being invited to post photos of their Time For Tea events on the Julia's House Facebook page and to tweet pictures of themselves holding up their favourite mug to @Julias_House using the hashtag #showusyourmug.

Julia's House supports life-limited children and their families across Dorset and Wiltshire - in families' own homes, in the community and in its Dorset Hospice. A new dedicated Wiltshire hospice will open in Devizes next spring.

Last year its nurses and carers gave more than 28,000 hours of support and respite to families, enabling them to better cope with the pressure of caring round the clock for a very sick child.

Mum Kayleigh, whose sons Leo, two, and Elliott,

one, have a rare metabolic disorder said: "Having experienced nurses and carers gives us the confidence to enjoy our freedom knowing nothing is going to happen that they can't handle. Julia's House makes an unbelieveable difference in how we are able to cope as a family. Those breaks mean so much to us."

Register for a Time For Tea pack at any Julia's House shop or by emailing timefortea@juliashouse.org. The campaign is once again being sponsored by Dorset Tea and every pack includes a voucher for a free box of their delicious tea as well as a recipe card, fundraising ideas and Time For Tea party stationery. For further information, events and downloadable resources visit https://juliashouse.org/timefortea

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Council to remove car park recycling banks

THE Dorset Waste Partnership (DWP) is preparing to remove recycling banks for glass, plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard across the county from late July to minimise costs.

They say there has been a 77 per cent decline in their use since 2011 and that these banks have become increasingly expensive to maintain.

DWP Joint Committee members recently agreed to remove the banks from the 21 sites around the county that still have them in place. By removing these containers, the DWP is set to save around £90,000 each year.

The DWP will continue to provide banks at existing locations, subject to landowners' agreement, for the following materials that can't currently be recycled using the kerbside service which is foil, cartons, textiles and small waste electrical and electronic equipment.

The DWP has arranged with its contractors to begin removing banks for glass, plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard the week commencing July 25th, with a deadline for completion in August.

In order to ensure that residents are given sufficient notice, the DWP have been placing signs on every single bank that is due to be removed and has informed district, town and parish councils.

Residents can continue to recycle glass, plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard using their kerbside collection service. They can also recycle these materials seven days a week at all the DWP's household recycling centres across the county.

Privately maintained recycling banks – such as those run by supermarkets – are unaffected by this activity. Residents can find a list of alternate recycling sites at http://www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling.

Councillor Anthony Alford, chairman of the DWP Joint Committee, said: "With kerbside collections now available to all Dorset residents, we can stop duplicating services we conveniently provide at the kerbside and household recycling centres. We can also prevent potential fly-tipping and misuse by commercial traders, and overall save money for our partner councils."

Recycling sites which will have glass, plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard banks removed include: Dorchester: Fairfield Car Park, Weymouth Ave; Weymouth: Asda car park, Newstead Road, Southill car park, Radipole Lane, Morrisons car park, Dorchester Road, Littlemoor shopping centre car park, Littlemoor Rd; Portland: Tesco car park, Park Road, Easton.

Buildings sold to save money

MORE county council owned buildings are being sold – including the landmark Top o' Town House in Dorchester.

Other properties to be put on the market include the former Bridport Local Office on St Andrews Road and the Royal Manor and Southwell school buildings on Portland.

The Homes and Community Agency has expressed an interest in acquiring both sites on Portland for homes for first time buyers.

The council also agreed to dispose of Sea View Farm in Netherbury and land at the former West Lulworth Primary School.

Top O'Town House has been the council's dedicated training centre and the facilities will now be provided elsewhere.

The council holds the property on a lease, with running costs of around £93,000 a year and this will be surrendered early as it expires in December 2017.

The former Bridport local office is to be vacated by the current occupants, adult services and children's services teams by the end of November. Staff based there will mostly move to the existing social services office in Dorchester.

The building is also occupied by a pre-school with a lease that expires in February 2018 and it will be market as a whole subject to the lease to the pre-school as soon as possible.

The county council plans to move to just seven buildings which it is hoped will save the council around £100,000 a year in running costs.

Comments invited on Neighbourhood Plan

By Trevor Bevins

CHICKERELL could have its own Neighbourhood Plan – giving local people more say on developments in the area.

The town council has started the process of creating a neighbourhood plan with an application to West Dorset District Council.

It has submitted a map of the area to be included in the plan area and explains why they want a neighbourhood plan.

The district council would now like residents and businesses of Chickerell to have their say on this area.

The consultation will continue until Friday, August 5th.

Councillor Ian Gardner, West Dorset District Council's Planning Portfolio Holder, said: "We want to hear the views of residents and businesses of Chickerell about what they think of the proposed designated area for the Chickerell Neighbourhood plan.

"We must consult on the designation of a neighbourhood plan before the process can go any further."

A copy of the application, together with details of how to make comments can be found at www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning/west/weymouth.

■ Neighbourhood plans were introduced in the Localism Act 2011 and aim to give residents more say in the future use of land and buildings in their area. For example a plan can say where new homes, shops or offices might be built or where important green spaces might be protected.

West Dorset District Council has a duty to provide technical advice and support to those communities who wish to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan. The district council is also responsible for approving the neighbourhood area.

Headteacher in court over alleged indecent assaults on former pupil

A WEYMOUTH headteacher has appeared in court facing charges relating to an alleged sex assault on a pupil in 1995.

David Akers, 60, has been charged with two indecent assaults on a former pupil aged under 16 while he was headmaster of Budmouth School, now Budmouth College.

Mr Akers, who is from Weymouth, is still head teacher at the school, but a school statement said Mr Akers had not been at work since December and an acting principal had since taken over.

Lottery grant to help island's elderly

A £356,000 GRANT from the National Lottery will held Portland's Island Community Action (ICA) continue its work with isolated and older people.

The Big Lottery Fund's Reaching Communities scheme will pay for the five-year Silver Island programme.

It will also mean the scheme being extended to older people in Wyke Regis, with local care agency, Bluebird Care offering match funding.

Under the scheme ICA and its volunteers will work to help improve physical and mental wellbeing with a range of projects which include befriending and community transport.

Some of the work being planned includes trying to identify individuals who might be at risk in the future and taking early action before problems develop.

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Sun shines on

LOBSTER with chef at Les Enfants Terrible

By Trevor Bevins

FORGET Brexit worries – Weymouth's weekend Seafood Festival saw thousands proving that while there might be stock market worries and a plunging pound there was still demand for lobster and champagne.

The Pommery Dorset Seafood Festival saw dozens of stalls either side of the harbour and on the Pavilion forecourt.

When the sun came out on Sunday afternoon numbers soared again with hardly a car parking space to be found in the town – unless you were prepared for a long walk, or took to park and ride.

There were cookery demonstrations throughout the weekend. River Cottage expert forager John Wright tried to persuade Sunday's lunchtime crowd of the delights of local seaweed as a food scource.

"It free and tons of it

QUAYSIDE crowds enjoy the festival

seafood festival

are going to waste," he told the crowd, promising that there was only one known poisonous seaweed.

"If you're unlucky enough to find it, it will taste foul, so just spit it out," he advised.

Other local chefs taking part included Dorchester's Mat Follas and Russell Brown on Saturday and ITV's 2015 BBQ Champion Simon Dyer.

Sunday's activities started with a short service by the Fishermen's Mission, the charity which will benefit from the event and were collecting donations throughout both days.

Mingling among the seafood stalls visitors could also find curries, oven-baked pizza, cheeses, and even wooden carved ducks.

Stalls were also there from Dorset Wildlife Trust and the fish diseases laboratory, CEFAS, both of which were reporting a lot of interest in sustainable fishing.

STALLS saw a busy trade throughout the festival

LOCAL bands played in Hope Square

JOHN Wright gave a talk on seaweed

THERE was more than just seafood to enjoy

Hollywood comes to Weymouth

FILM crews and movie stars will descend on Weymouth at the end of the month to shoot scenes for a new World War Two blockbuster.

Scenes from 'Dunkirk', the lastest film by director Christopher Nolan, will be filmed in and around Weymouth Harbour and is scheduled for release next summer.

One Direction frontman Harry Styles will be making his acting debut alongside Hollywood heart-throb Tom Hardy, Mark Rylance, Kenneth Branagh and Cillian Murphy.

Starring alongside the leading cast will be extras from Dorset after an open casting call was held in the town recently.

Filming will take place in Weymouth Harbour (Town Bridge to harbour entrance) on Wednesday, July 27th (11am – 11pm) and Thursday, July 28th (2pm – 2am) and mariners are to expect some disruption.

Scenes will also be filmed in Swanage, France and Holland.

TOM Hardy stars in 'Dunkirk' which will be filmed in Weymouth this month

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Business students raise £350 for hospice with Minion movie event

THOMAS Hardye students who organised a cinema event have raised £350 for Julia's House Children's Hospice.

The students, studying A Level Applied Business, had to complete a unit on event management – and chose to run and evaluate a fundraising event.

With the help of Dorchester's Odeon Cinema they staged a Minion Movie Event which involved watching the Minion Movie, a raffle and a photo opportunity with a Minion.

"The students really did put a lot of time and effort into organising the event and they worked really well as a team. They also enjoyed the experience and I am very proud of what they have achieved," said teacher Mrs Mandy Banfield.

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THOMAS Hardye students Georgia Ford, Emma Potter and Matt Miller. A fourth student, Caitlyn Ward, was not available on the day the photograph was taken. Also pictured is local Julia's House fundraiser Gill Slade

Patients' thumbs up for DCH cancer care

STAFF from the cancer services team pictured in the courtyard outside Fortuneswell Chemotherapy Unit

DORSET County Hospital is providing good quality care across for cancer patients – according to a survey of patients.

The results of NHS England's Cancer Patient Experience Survey for 2015 put the hospital within, or above, the expected national standards for the vast majority of questions.

More than 300 Dorset patients responded to the survey, a response rate of 72 per cent. Overall, patients rated their care as 8.7 out of 10.

Three areas were highlighted as exceeding national expectations – patients being given enough support from health or social services during treatment; staff asking patients what name they preferred to be called by; and getting understandable answers to questions from their clinical nurse specialist.

DCH's Deputy Chief Operating Officer Anita Thomas praised the contribution of the nurse specialists: "I am particularly pleased to see recognition of the hard work provided by the Cancer Nurse Specialist Team. We now have a larger team covering all cancers treated at DCH and they have consistently shown themselves to be committed to delivering exceptional care, support and signposting to services for all our cancer patients and their carers.

"The previous survey results suggested we should work on information given regarding access to free prescriptions and in discussing cancer diagnoses with our patients and again it is fantastic to see that patients reported improvements in these areas.

"We are also working closely with Macmillan and the First Point housing advice service to offer our patients access to additional information and support through our Patient Advice and Liaison Service office. Our work with Macmillan has included engaging with patients and carers as well as our colleagues in health and social care, and the private and voluntary sector, in order to produce a Patient Information Strategy for the whole of Dorset.

"We are looking forward to being able to make further improvements to the services we provide once we have raised the money we need to create the new cancer outpatient facilities at DCH. We'd like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to everyone who is working so hard to help us fundraise – your support means a lot to us and our patients."

The Dorset County Hospital Charity is leading the £1.75million fundraising appeal to build a new outpatients department for cancer patients above the new radiotherapy suite which is coming to DCH through a partnership with the Dorset Cancer Centre at Poole Hospital.

Counselling and support services will be offered in rooms next to the outpatient areas and the chemotherapy unit will expand to give family and friends space to sit with patients receiving chemotherapy.

Bells ring for runners

SYDLING St Nicholas residents may have been puzzled by the sound of alpine cow bells jangling down the hill.

They were being worn by the 250 participants in the Bell Race, organised by White Star Running, with the help of village groups, to raise money for repairs to the bells in Sydling church.

Catriona Fountain, from Frampton, took part in the race. She said: "We had to run from the village green to the top of the hill where we had to complete a challenge before we were given our bell. We then had to run back down the hill with our bells all clanging away. The noise was actually deafening."

The race was part of a weekend of events which helped raise money for good causes in the village including the village hall and the Women's Institute as well as the church.

Some 400 runners also took part in the Giant's Head Marathon with nearly 200 in the shorter seven mile Sydling Hill Run.

Chris Legg, chair of the parish council, was fully involved in the organisation of the event and provided space for camping on his farm.

He said: "We're really pleased to have hosted the Giant's Head Marathon in Sydling for the fourth year running. It's a great event which raises a lot of money for groups in the village and it is always really well organised and great fun. White Star Running are a great organisation to work with so we've already booked the date for next year's event."

Andy Palmer, who owns White Star Running, said: "Of course, we can't do it without help so a huge thank you to all the volunteers from Sydling and surrounding villages who turned out to help us including folks from the parish council, the village hall committee, the WI and the Sydling Help and Relief Project."

HELEN Nesbitt with her cow bell

BRIDE to be Jessica Woolcott (centre with teddy bear) and the rest of the hen party from the Hook Norton Harriers

Pig breeders hoping to bring home the bacon

PIG breeders from across the country will be descending on Dorchester later this year for the National Tamworth pig championships.

The breed society has chosen the Dorset County Show for the championships.

Ryan Perry, Tamworth Breeding Society spokesman, said that although the pigs could be tenacious they had a fantastic character: "It is true that they have developed a reputation that they are quite naughty and a little mischievous but actually they have a brilliant temperament and are a great all round pig."

There are between 200-300 breeding sows in the UK and Mr Perry said the breed had been on the Rare Breeds Survival trust "vulnerable" list for many years.

Mr Perry said he hoped many breeders in the south of England would exhibit in the show classes: "It is a great chance for southern breeders who don't normally travel to shows to exhibit and we have a fantastically experienced judge in Caroline Wheatley-Hubbard."

Mrs Wheatley-Hubbard runs the oldest registered herd in the UK – the Berkswell herd – which was founded nearly 100 years ago.

NATIONAL Tamworth pig championships coming to Dorchester in September

The Tamworth is among the oldest of pig breeds in the UK, has a distinctive ginger or red colour and is thought to have descended from wild boars via native European pig stock. The breed was recognised in the 1860's and Tamworths were imported into the United States and Canada 20 years later.

Peter Siviter, Dorset County Show Pig Steward, said: "We're thrilled to welcome the Tamworth National Championships to the Dorset County Show this year.

"With record pig entries year on year here at Dorchester it is appropriate and immensely satisfying to be hosting such a prestigious final for this fine traditional breed.

"Many breeders will be putting in a lot of preparation over the coming months and I'd like to wish the best of luck to all entries."

The county show takes place on Saturday and Sunday, September 3rd and 4th.

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It would make sense to get rid of parking charges

I READ that the 'footfall' in South Street is to be monitored following sporadic shop closures over recent years.

I have found several small towns (not in Dorset): Barnard Castle, Burnham Market and Highworth, that are full of small shops, none closed and virtually no charity shops and having plenty of pubs open.

What they have in common is free and easy parking close to the town centre.

People resent multiplying the cost of their journey because of car parking charges or having to walk half a mile to a free space they found carrying a load of shopping.

Now that councils are, once again, getting their hands on 'business rates' it would make sense to get rid of parking charges.

That would encourage people like me to shop in town rather than in the supermarket on the outskirts.

Chris Slade
Maiden Newton

I hope common sense prevails

I HAVE lived in Dorchester for nearly half a century, and in that time have become used to strange, and often crazy decisions by local councils, and various others who think they know best. I had thought I might have mellowed!

But both hearing - and now reading - the idea that the post office should locate to Poundbury is about the daftest I have ever seen.

I have lived on the Poundbury development since before building started (I was in the Farmhouse), and for many years we who live here wanted a post office. Very recently we rejoiced in the fact that we have one, which opens many hours, seven days a week.

So, the idea that another should be relocated here, from where it is a vital local need, is beyond belief. We don't want it or need it (as agreed at the recent residents association general meeting). But the people living in the vicinity of the existing site around Victoria park need it. Moving it is also against business sense (I thought the Post Office was supposed to be a business?)

I hope that common sense will prevail.

Who thought this was a good idea exactly, someone who lives in cloud cuckoo land presumably? They know nothing, and I mean nothing of the communities and geography of Dorchester.

Peter J W Noble
Address supplied

Lily's locks are lopped off for Little Princess Trust

STAFF from a Dorchester salon have helped a Dorset teenager raise money for two cancer charities by cutting her hair.

Knighton House School student Lily Ryder, 13, decided it was time to cut her waist length hair to a more manageable length and she wanted to make it worthwhile.

A hairstylist from Dorchester's Medusa Aphothecary went along to the Blandford school to cut an incredible 18 inches off the length of Lily's hair which will be donated to the Little Princess Trust, a charity that provides real hair wigs to boys and girls across the UK and Ireland, who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment.

Lily has also used her haircut to fundraise for The Teenage Cancer Trust. Lily has already raised more than £1,500. To make a donation visit https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Lily-Ryder

THIRTEEN year old Lily Ryder has her hair cut for cancer charities

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South Dorset Ridgeway art on tour

ART inspired by the South Dorset Ridgeway was on show in Martinstown at the weekend.

A touring exhibition was on show in the village hall while traditional crafts and displays were on offer at the nearby village green.

The art exhibition, commissioned by Artsreach has been touring throughout Dorset this summer.

Alongside the exhibition the Ancient Wessex Network brought their 'History Village' with displays of ancient jewellery, pottery, jewellery and artefacts typical of those which might have been used by ancient settlers in the area.

Visitors were able to try their hand at makine beaker pottery and Faience bead and Viking jewellery making.

The exhibition will be at the Kingcombe Centre, Toller Porcorum, from Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th July, 11am-4:30pm. Admission is free.

There, Dr Simon Timberlake of Cambridge Archaeology Unit will lead workshops on Tin and Copper Smelting on July 23rd and Bronze Casting on July 24th.

ART inspired by the South Dorset Ridgeway on show at Martinstown village hall at the weekend

YOUNGSTERS were asked to guess which skull belonged to which animal

Happy ending for show couple

PET lambs were among the surprise guests as Dorset County Show's Secretary Richard Cuzens married Jo Grassby, a Senior Steward of the Homecraft tent.

The wedding took place at St Martin's Church, Martinstown in front of 140 guests as well as Jo's three pet lambs.

The couple's four children and three grandchildren all took part with Richard's son as best man, their daughters and daughter-in-law and grand-children as attendants and son-in-law's as ushers.

A long-term friend to them both, Ian Gibson, became an usher for the first time at 80. The bride's dress was silk and lace in light parma violet.

The couple had planned the wedding to be between lambing on Richard's farm at Litton Cheney and his duties as Show Secretary for the County Show in early September.

Mrs Cuzens said: "After the honeymoon, I shan't see him much until late September when the show is over."

Enjoy a walk through time

TOUR guide Joy Wallis will be leading 'A Walk through Time in Dorchester Borough Gardens' in August.

The free 6pm session, starting from the Bandstand, has been organised by the Friends of the Borough Gardens.

The walk will look afresh at the past and present of the town centre park. Ring Lorna Low on 01305 263430 for more details.

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Primary school rated as 'good'

LITTLEMOOR'S Bincombe Valley Primary School has been rated "good" by Ofsted inspectors – after previously being classified as requiring improvement in 2014.

Inspectors say that pupils are achieving good results, including those with special educational needs.

Headteacher, Leif Pallister, thanked staff and pupils for the good report which comes after an inspection in May and said he now looked forward to the next step of increasing further opportunities for the school.

Inspectors said they found good standards in all the areas they looked at - leadership and management; quality of teaching, learning and assessment; personal development, behaviour and welfare; outcomes for pupils and early years provision.

Their report praised the way that children are settled into the school and that that reported feeling safe.

Royalty selection

WEYMOUTH Carnival's 'Royalty' will be chosen this weekend at an event in the Riviera Hotel.

It takes place on Sunday, July 17th with different age categories allowing both children and adults to take part.

The categories include: King and Queen (18 years plus); Prince and Princess (13-17 years) and Junior Prince and Princess (9-12 years).

To enter visit Weymouth Carnival Royalty on Facebook or go to - www.weymouthcarnival.co.uk

Care staff honoured for hard work and dedication

STAFF from Care South's Maiden Castle House in Dorchester and Buxton House in Weymouth are celebrating success at the company's annual Stars Awards ceremony.

Now in its sixth year, the event recognises and rewards outstanding achievements and dedication to care provision by its staff. Nominees are put forward by colleagues, residents, service users and relatives.

The event also celebrated the achievements of over 40 staff who achieved formal qualifications during the year.

Ashley Smith from Maiden Castle House received the 'Care Team Leader of The Year' award and Maiden Castle's Activities Coordinator, Jenny Webster, received a special award for 'Continuing Excellence in working with the Community'.

At Buxton House in Weymouth, Care Assistant Chantelle Latrese won a 'Best Care Newcomer' award.

Susan Willoughby, Chief Executive of Care South, said: "This is a highlight of our year, celebrating the professionalism, passion and commitment to care that is delivered day in, day out, by all our staff. Once again, we received a huge number of nominations for our Stars Awards, from colleagues and our residents and service users. The event was a wonderful celebration of all that is good in care and it provides us with an opportunity to publicly acknowledge and thank our staff for their dedication to providing exceptional care.

"All of our finalists have demonstrated exceptional commitment to providing the highest quality care for residents and service users across our homes and home care services, making a huge difference to the lives and wellbeing of those we care for and we are hugely grateful for and proud of their efforts. Above all we recognised that our finalists are often where they are, because of the help and support of colleagues, with teamwork being the key to successfully delivering the best quality care."

This year's Stars Awards marked a special anniversary for Care South, as the company celebrated its 25th anniversary. All members of staff who have achieved 25 years-service or more received a special silver heart award, in recognition of their hard work.

FROM left Simon Bird, Special Activities Award winnner Jenny Webster form Maiden Castle House, and Felicity Irwin

FROM left Carolyn Collins, Best Care Newcomer, Chantelle Latrese from Buxton House, and Felicity Irwin

FUNDRAISING Friends had a busy day on Weymouth Esplanade with a stall (pictured right) to raise funds to support M V Freedom and the local Parkinson's Group.

Fundraising Friends formed after the demise of the local Dorchester branch of Moose International.

The group holds monthly meetings at the Colliton Club in Dorchester on the third Monday of each month.

It also holds social events and outings, recently having had a tour of the Sutton Poyntz Water Treatment works followed by a meal at at the Springhead public house. Anyone interested in joining the group are invited to contact Rob Wall on 01305 265377 or ff222rob@gmail.com

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THE CLOCK FREEHOUSE, CHIDEOCK RE-OPENING ON FRIDAY JULY 15TH

A much-loved 16th century village pub is set to open this weekend after being gutted by a fire last year.

The Long family who own The Clock in Chideock will re-open its doors to the public 466 days after it was destroyed by a fire on Easter Monday in April last year.

Mike Long and his family have moved back into their home and are looking forward to welcoming both old and new customers to celebrate the popular thatched pub being back up and running.

They have organised a weekend of celebrations to mark the occasion after they officially cut the ribbon on Friday (July 15th) at 5pm. They will be there from around 3pm if anyone would like to go earlier.

Free buffets will be supplied on Friday evening, Saturday lunchtime and evening and Sunday lunchtime and evening with live music from local band the Pickwicks on Friday and John De Barra on Saturday from 9pm. On Sunday there will also be a quiz at 7pm and possible live music.

The Clock will not be offering their full menu until Monday, July 18th from 12noon.

Throughout the weekend, beer prices will be the same as when they initially took over the pub in 2002, to replicate the initial launch.

Mike said: "The support has been unbelievable, there is not really any words I can say - the support we have had financially, clothing, just words, is beyond words and we will be eternally grateful."

It has taken just over a year for the family to get their beloved home back and the community their much-loved pub, but Mike admits there were times that he didn't think it was possible.

He said: "We had the 'there is no way we are ever going to come back from this', - for about a month or six weeks - where you look around and think it is not going to be rebuilt, then we had the joy of the insurance.

"Once the builders started to come out and do quotes and all of them said between 28 weeks and 32 weeks to rebuild. I can't get my head around that, it doesn't make sense, you look at it and think 32 years not 32 weeks, that was what it was like.

"We started to have a bit of faith in what people were saying and sure enough we are on week 33.

"With the hiccups we have had along the way I think it is tremendous, I cannot get my head around where we are today, what we have and how it looks.

"We moved into the house last Friday (July 1st) and that was surreal to be back. We have walked around and lights switches and stuff are in different places, and you are going for stuff that isn't there, a light switch or a door opens a different way and its really mad. And where we have coat hooks, things that

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▲ The brand new kitchen at The Clock

▲ The well that has been un-covered in the garden

people take for granted, you walk out the door and grab your coat but your coat is not where you grab it from, so that is quite strange trying to get used to.

"One side, which we hoped wouldn't happen but it did, is where we go looking for things that we lost. When we were in the rented house, you are going to get stuff that is in a different place and its in a different place because you are in a different environment, but now we are back home, we are going to get stuff, but its not there because we lost it, but because you are back in your room, you're going for stuff.

"I see it as a negative because it is starting to hit us what we have actually lost but it's a positive as it must be that we are in familiar surroundings that we are going for stuff that's not there. It must feel like we are home again.

"It is great to be back in, honestly I don't think I will be home personally until I am back behind the bar. I am back in my house but I will be home when I step behind that bar and pull the first pint. I am really, really excited to be back, I can't wait."

The pub is already nearly full up with darts and skittles teams before it has even reopened.

Mike said: "We have gained three alley skittle teams and two extra dart teams. We are now full up for skittles, we have no room at all.

"We do have room for a couple more darts teams, I hope to have a team in the Lyme Regis league as well as a team in the Beaminster league.

"Friday nights I am full up, I have four teams in the Bridport league. Overall I think we are up to 31 teams this season, table skittles, alley skittles and darts.

"If there are any new teams wishing to play Beaminster darts on a Wednesday, Lyme Regis darts on a Thursday, or table skittles on a Monday, we have spaces for any teams looking for a venue."

We're delighted that The Clock is re-opening and wish Mike and his family all the very best for the future

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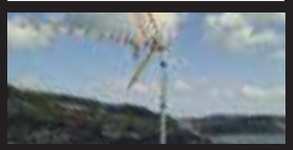

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BACKGROUND

The Clock burnt down in May last year as a result of a chimney fire, destroying the families home and belongings.

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For more information on what is happening at The Clock over the weekend and to see updates from the rebuild visit https://www.facebook.com/ClockChideock or http://www.clockchideock.co.uk

The Clock can also be reached on 01297 489423.

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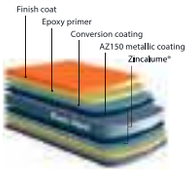

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Mico's legacy lives on

HM Lord-Lieutenant of Dorset Angus Campbell unveils the plaque alongside Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor Richard Kosior, Mayoress Caroline Churchill and Gary Hepburn Chairman of Weymouth Town Charities

HE died 350-years-ago, but wealthy London merchant Sir Samuel Mico's last wishes are still being carried out in Weymouth.

Now the man, who it's thought was knighted for paying off King Charles II's considerable debts, has been further honoured with the unveiling of a blue plaque on the pub he owned in the town.

Sir Samuel Mico – a trader in silk and spices - died in 1666. He left money and property in his will to fund three apprentices and pay pensions to "decayed seaman". He left the bulk of his estate to his wife Lady Mico who was a supporter of the anti-slavery movement and the Mico Charity went on to become an important educational charity in the Caribbean, eventually educating and training emancipated slaves who went on to become teachers.

Today, the Sir Samuel Mico Trust is administered by Weymouth Town Charities. Sir Samuel's bequest now helps around a hundred local young people a year, by funding scholarships and providing grants to assist with education and training.

The trust says it is always pleased to receive applications for grants from local people aged under 24, who need assistance with course fees, books, equipment or anything else to do with their personal development and education.

Gary Hepburn, Chairman of Weymouth Town Charities said: "Sir Samuel would be so pleased to see how many people the trust is helping today, and the many thousands that have been helped since he died in 1666. The George Inn was left by Mico and is still owned by the trust and the new blue plaque is a fitting tribute to him and the foresight he had back in 1665 when he wrote his will and gave such a lasting gift to the town."

For more information go to www.weymouthtowncharities.org.uk

MP's plea to Commons to save Land Registry

SOUTH Dorset MP Richard Drax has appealed for the Government to ditch the proposed sale of the Land Registry, which employs 200 in Weymouth.

During a Commons debate, which was called by Labour, the MP said that only the Treasury thought the sell-off was a good idea.

"An Englishman's home is his castle," said Mr Drax.

"The very territory that we live on is the biggest investment that any of us makes. This sell-off would undermine the absolute, fundamental basis of that security.

"The proposal and consultation fail to register the fact that the Land Registry is quasi-judicial. The integrity of the organisation's database is paramount. Land Registry data are fully accessible to Ministers and the public, with all the checks and balances required. It is the largest database in western Europe, it underpins the housing and property market, and it is a cornerstone of our economy. A sell-off could destabilise the housing market for a short-term return—there is no point in doing that."

He added: "The Land Registry is a public monopoly....why should it now become a private monopoly? That just does not make sense. Hedge funds and overseas buyers are not interested in the greater good or the stability of the country—that is the risk. They want to make a return...but this business should not be put under that sort of speculation. Selling to a foreign company might well be against the national interest."

Mr Drax also pointed out that the proposed sale price of £1billion was low, considering the Land Registry returns £100million to the Treasury every year.

"I believe this idea has now been kicked into the long grass," said Mr Drax.

"As I said in my speech, we have far bigger fish to fry with all the wonderful opportunities that lie ahead. The Land Registry should be left in peace to continue the job it has always done so successfully."

Annual blessing of the boats ceremony

THE annual blessing of the Weymouth RNLI lifeboats will take place at the Ferry steps on Weymouth harbourside near the Pavilion on Sunday 24th July at 7.30pm and will kick start Weymouth lifeboat week.

The service will be conducted by the clergy team from Holy Trinity Church with music provided by The Salvation Army Band.

The Mayor of Weymouth and Portland Borough Council, Councillor Richard Kosior will give a bible reading.

Come and join with the lifeboat crews and supporters for this annual event which means so much to the crews and families.

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Success for waterpolo squad

MEMBERS of the winning waterpolo squad

THE 1610 West Dorset U15 Waterpolo team which has not lost a match all season is celebrating winning the league title.

The team, which trains weekly at Dorchester Sports Centre, has beat teams across Wiltshire and Dorset to win the coveted title Key Stage 3 in Christchurch.

The squad of 35 players, which are based at Dorchester Sports Centre, boasts many county standard players and 14 year old Poppy Elliman and Alex Felton have just been selected for the South West Waterpolo squad. Former team member 16 year old Harry Wheeler has gone on to play for the GB Waterpolo team.

The squad is coached by Tanya Wheeler, as well as coaches Andrea Dabbs, Jonah Jones, Cameron Dabbs and Pete Brown who have inspired the players to become one of the most successful Waterpolo teams in the South West.

Andrea, who organises the team's fixtures and who has been part of the driving force behind the team's success, says that she is very proud of what the talented players have achieved.

She said: "We are delighted for the players who have worked so hard all season never losing a game. We have some extremely gifted players but they all work together under the careful guidance of a dedicated team of coaches.

"The improved facilities at Dorchester Sports Centre have undoubtedly helped the team's success and growth of the squad. This season we have had new goals installed which has made a great difference to the team's performance, investment in sport does really pay off."

A Hardy challenge for any fundraiser

DIVERSE Abilities, Dorset's disability charity, has raised more than £5,000 from a sponsored abseil down Hardy Monument.

The money will help the charity to continuing providing support to children and adults with disabilities across the county.

Those who took part in the challenge were giving expert advice before making their way , on ropes, down the iconic 72-foot tall monument.

It stands on an exposed hill above the village of Portesham and was built in 1844 in memory of Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas Masterman Hardy, Flag Captain of HMS Victory at the Battle of Trafalgar.

Sharon Wells, events fundraiser at Diverse Abilities, said: "Participants got a huge buzz from the excitement of their descent and the achievement of completing the challenge, knowing that they were helping Diverse Abilities provide invaluable support to children and adults with disabilities, and their families.

"A big thank you also goes to our event sponsor Sorted magazine and to the National Trust."

Other sponsorship challenges are being held later this year with further details available from Sharon Wells on 01202 718266 or by visiting www.diverseabilities.org.uk/events

A VOLUNTEER makes their way down the monument

HAPPY abseilers raising money for Diverse Abilities

German band gets tour of twin town

THE Schutzen Musik Corps from Dorchester's German twin town, Lubbecke, have been guests of the Durnovaria Silver Band this week.

They performed in the Borough Gardens having been welcomed by the Mayor Tim Harries at the bandstand. They then went on to play at Abbotsbury Sub-Tropical Gardens and again during a visit to The Furzebrook Blue Pool, near Wareham.

During their stay they also toured Palmers Brewery in Bridport and West Bay and were entertained to a Beetle Drive and a Town Crier competition. The two bands also performed together during a private farewell party.

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A week of seaside thrills and spills for RNLI!

LIFEBOAT Week organisers are looking forward to another exciting seven days of events from July 23rd to 30th, including many of the old favourites and some new activities.

Although the Red Arrows will not be appearing during Lifeboat Week this year (instead coming two days before on July 21st), the Lyme Regis & Charmouth RNLI Guild are confident they still have a programme to entertain the whole family in their annual week of seaside thrills and spills.

And the week will not be completely without its aerobatic displays, as the RAF Puma Helicopters give a flypast on the opening day.

The Lyme Regis & Charmouth RNLI Guild, organisers of the week, reacted with delight at the RAF's gesture, but at the moment no time has been announced for the flypast.

Chairman of the guild, Irene Roper, said: "We do not have the Red Arrows in Lifeboat Week this year so this is tremendous news.

"We fully understand that this is a flypast but it is a most valuable contribution to the opening day of our week for which we are truly grateful.

"The RNLI in Lyme Regis has received tremendous support from the RAF over a number of years and we are delighted that this will enable us to maintain the link between our charity and the air force."

Another of the opening events on July 23rd will be the popular Bathtub Race, once again sponsored by Rob Perry Marine. The race sees teams attempt to row from Cobb Gate to the harbour in home-made bathtub boats and reigning champions from the Fire and Rescue Service are hoping to beat their "world record" time of last year (see page 23).

The lifeboat crew themselves will also be taking to the sea on the opening day to give their usual welcoming display in the "Spirit of Loch Fyne" lifeboat.

During the week there will also be the chance to meet the crew members at the lifeboat station on the Cobb, where you can even have your photograph taken with the brave volunteers.

New to this year's programme, Paul Atterbury of BBC "Antiques Roadshow" fame will be giving at talk at Uplyme Village Hall on the early days of the RNLI against the background of the many achievements of Victorian Britain – so if you're interested in finding out a little more about the life-saving charity, this is the event for you!

Belly dancing is again on the agenda, as well as the sandcastle competition and a grand auction at the lifeboat station.

Uplyme Morris Men will be strutting their stuff during the week. There will also be swimming challenges for children and adults, a crab fishing contest, firework display and pavement art, all back due to popular demand!

The tug o' war contest between the lifeboat crew and a team of firefighters and coastguards will again take place across the harbour mouth with one team, at least, certain to take a ducking!

Talking of ducks there is, of course, the annual Lifeboat Week duck race on Friday, July 29th. Newcomers of a musical kind are members of the Three Counties Swing Band also performing on the Friday.

As a special addition to this year's programme, Roy Beal, 44, a motor technician from Seaton, will be displaying his kayak and looking for sponsorship on the first day of Lifeboat Week, before setting off this summer on a 360-mile kayak from Tower Bridge on the Thames to Seaton in aid of the RNLI and Cancer Research UK (see page 27).

Full details of this year's Lifeboat Week events will be available in a programme which will be available in local outlets or search 'Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week' on Facebook for regular updates.

ON DISPLAY: Lyme Regis' 'Spirit of Loch Fyne' lifeboat welcomes visitors to Lifeboat Week in 2015. A similar display will take place on Saturday, July 23rd

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Can anyone beat the fire crew's bathtub record?

AMONG the highlights of this year's Lifeboat Week will be the hotly-contested bathtub race, which was won for the fifth year running in 2015 by Dorset Fire and Rescue.

Town crier Alan Vian credited the firefighters with a "world record" time of 11 and a half minutes. However, organisers of the week, the RNLI Guild, are expecting more entries this year and plenty of determination from crews to take the title from the record breakers when the race is held on Lifeboat Week's opening day - Saturday, July 23rd.

One Guild member said: "The firefighters have had a good run, but it is now time for another crew to show them a clean pair of heels."

But local fire chief Virgil Turner is still up for the challenge, commenting: "We feel we can beat anyone, but of course any other crew is welcome to try and stop us. However, we have a plan A and a plan B, and they do not involve smuggling an engine on board!"

Other events to be held during the week will include a produce stall on Monday, July 25th which this year will tie in with judging for the Great Lyme Regis Bake Off Competition, in which entrants have made lifeboat-themed cakes.

A highlight on Tuesday is the grand auction at the lifeboat station (see page 26). This was a huge success last year with the first appearance of a comedy duo of professional auctioneers, Simon Watson from Lyme Bay Auctions and Harry Ballin, from Windsor. There will be plenty of eye-catching lots, including a superb rug from Axminster Carpets and a £100 voucher for Mark Hix's Oyster and Fish House restaurant.

CHAMPIONS: Lyme Regis fire crew hold the record for completing the bathtub race in the quicket time.

The week also includes all the favourites - the duck race, tug o' war across the harbour mouth and yard of ale. And there is plenty of music including for the first time the much-admired Three Counties Swing Band.

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Top lots to be won at lifeboat auction

A RUG with a unique fish design has been donated by Axminster Carpets to the grand auction during Lyme Regis Lifeboat Week.

The auction, with many interesting lots, is being held at 6pm on July 26th at the lifeboat station on the Cobb.

The rug was presented to the organisers of the auction, Gerry and Peter Hampton, at the last meeting of the local RNLI Guild before Lifeboat Week, which starts on July 23rd.

The rug was handed over to the Guild by Maggie Sullivan, sales administrator at Axminster Carpets, who is also the new secretary of the Lyme Regis and Charmouth RNLI Guild (pictured top right).

Other outstanding lots at the auction will include a £100 voucher for Mark Hix's restaurant and the print depicting the lifeboats of Lyme Regis which has been adapted for the cover of this year's Lifeboat Week souvenir programme (pictured left).

■ LYME Regis lifeboat crew pictured at the town's annual carnival procession

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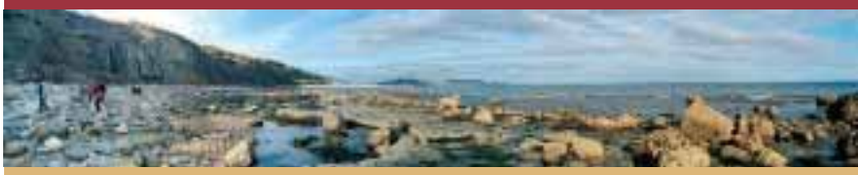

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Charity kayaker to visit during Lifeboat Week

■ CHARITY kayaker Roy Beal pictured with lifeboat crew members

MARATHON kayaker Roy Beal, a 44-year-old auto electrician from Seaton, will be visiting Lyme Regis during Lifeboat Week just days before he sets off to paddle 360 miles from the Thames to his home town.

Roy and his 17 foot sea kayak will be appearing on Marine Parade on the first day of Lifeboat Week – July 23rd – as he seeks more sponsors for his charity paddle, which starts on July 29th from Tower Bridge.

He is raising money for three charities including the RNLI during his journey which he estimates will take three weeks. He plans to call in at as many lifeboat stations as possible on the way.

He will be passing ports such as Dover and Portsmouth and tidal races including Beachy Head and Portland Bill.

Roy said: "Sleeping arrangements will vary from the wilds of beach camping to camp sites and, with any luck, the occasional bed and breakfast."

■ MAKING A SPLASH: The tug o' war across the harbour mouth is always a popular attraction. Left, Lifeboat Week's mascot Stormy Stan

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Carnival has families returning year after year

NOW in its 68th year, Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival Week still has families returning to the town year after year for some traditional, seaside fun.

This year's week will run from Saturday, August 6th to 14th and the programme boasts more than 50 events for all the family.

As carnival spirit sweeps the town, highlights of the week will include a torchlight procession on August 7th, firework display on August 11th and the finale of the grand procession on the evening of Saturday, August 13th.

There will also be live music, the return of the popular Marine Theatre disco, quiz nights and – in what promises to be one of the most visually-stunning events – the floating of candles down the River Lim, last held in Lyme Regis to mark the 100th anniversary of the First World War.

A programme of children's activities will also be on offer each day, including imaginative competitions and games on Marine Parade, from the Lego Challenge to Quack Attack, wild and wacky races, free boat trips, a sandcastle competition, teddy bears' picnic and lots, lots more!

Following on from its successful launch last year, Regatta & Carnival Week will be continuing the duck theme this year and the decorated duck competition, which will see local shops and businesses displaying decorated wooden ducks in their windows. Can you spot them all? (See page 28 for further details).

Organisers were blown away by the success of this competition when they first held it last year, with the traders really throwing themselves behind the campaign and BBC Spotlight even featured it on the regional news.

The annual Regatta & Carnival Week duck race has also become a popular return event, and this year organisers are hoping for a record crowd on August 14th.

Full details of all events will be available in the Regatta & Carnival Week programme, which will be available to buy from many local outlets from late July and from the carnival kiosk on Marine Parade during the week itself.

Stay up to date by visiting the website www.lymecarnival.co.uk, or following the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LymeRegisCarnival or on Twitter @LymeCarnival

THE Mayor of Lyme Regis, Councillor Owen Lovell, with last year's winning duck entries (see page 30 for full details) and, below, the colourful grand carnival procession

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Let's go quackers for carnival!

IN Lyme Regis, we all love carnival and it's only fair that everyone has the chance to be part of the grand procession.

After the huge success of last year's competition, 150 business will be taking part in this year's Queen Duck Competition giving them the chance to win pride of place in the parade.

Over the past few months businesses have been dreaming up fantastic designs to decorate their wooden ducks and, on the first day of Regatta & Carnival Week we will get to see their designs as Lyme goes totally quackers!

The public are asked to vote for their favourite ducks which will be displayed in windows of shops and businesses around the town. All those who vote for a decorated duck will be entered into a prize draw for a luxury break at the Alexandra Hotel.

Voting slips are available from the Broad Street voting station or the yellow carnival kiosk on Marine Parade.

On the final day of voting - Friday, August 12th - all the ducks will assemble at the "arrival lounge" on the seafront. Voting closes at 3pm with the winners being announced at 5pm.

The top 10 ducks will go onto their own float during the carnival procession, with the favourite being crowned Carnival Queen!

As well as the eco-rated duck competition, the annual Regatta & Carnival duck race is also always a popular hit. This year, the race will be held 12noon on Sunday, August 14th starting at Windsor Terrace.

Cash prizes of £50 for first place, £30 for second, £15 for third and £5 for the last duck home will be up for grabs, with ducks costing just £1 to buy. Organisers are also hoping that Daisy Duck, their giant duck mascot, will make an appearance around the river on the day.

As well as buying your ducks from the carnival kiosk on Marine Parade, this year they can also be bought at www.lymeregiscarnival.co.uk, where they can also be decorated with their own unique colour.

Tickets bought in blocks of five will be entered into the draw for a holiday for a family of five at the Fernhill Hotel, between Lyme Regis and Charmouth.

If you want to take home a souvenir of all the quacking fun you've had during Regatta & Carnival Week, you can place a silent bid for one of the decorated ducks. Simply return your silent bid during the week to the carnival kiosk before 3pm on Friday, August 12th.

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ALL of the helpers and organisers of Lyme Regis Regatta & Carnival Week give their time entirely voluntarily and receive no payment, so they aim to keep their administrative expenses to a minimum.

After paying for major items like the fireworks, essential insurance premiums, licences, and so on, everything that is donated in collection tins or is surplus from entry fees makes its way to many good causes in and around Lyme Regis.

Last year, the organising committee were able to donate a total of £9,000 to 30 local causes. These were: B Sharp, Christmas Lights, Community Lunch Club, Driftwood Project, Father Christmas Sleigh Project, Football Club (Youth Section), Fossil Festival, Get Together Club, Gig Club (Youth Section), Hallett Court, Honiton Gymnastic Club, 1st Lym Valley Scouts, Lyme Regis Coastguard, Lyme Regis Lifeboat Crew, Lyme Regis Majorettes, Lyme Regis Town Band, LymeNet, Marine Theatre (Youth Section), Marine Theatre, Moving On, Musical Theatre, Pantomime Society, Photographic Society, Power Boat Club (Youth Section), Sailing Club (Youth Section), St Michael's School, Table Tennis Club, Taekwondo, The Hub, The Project.

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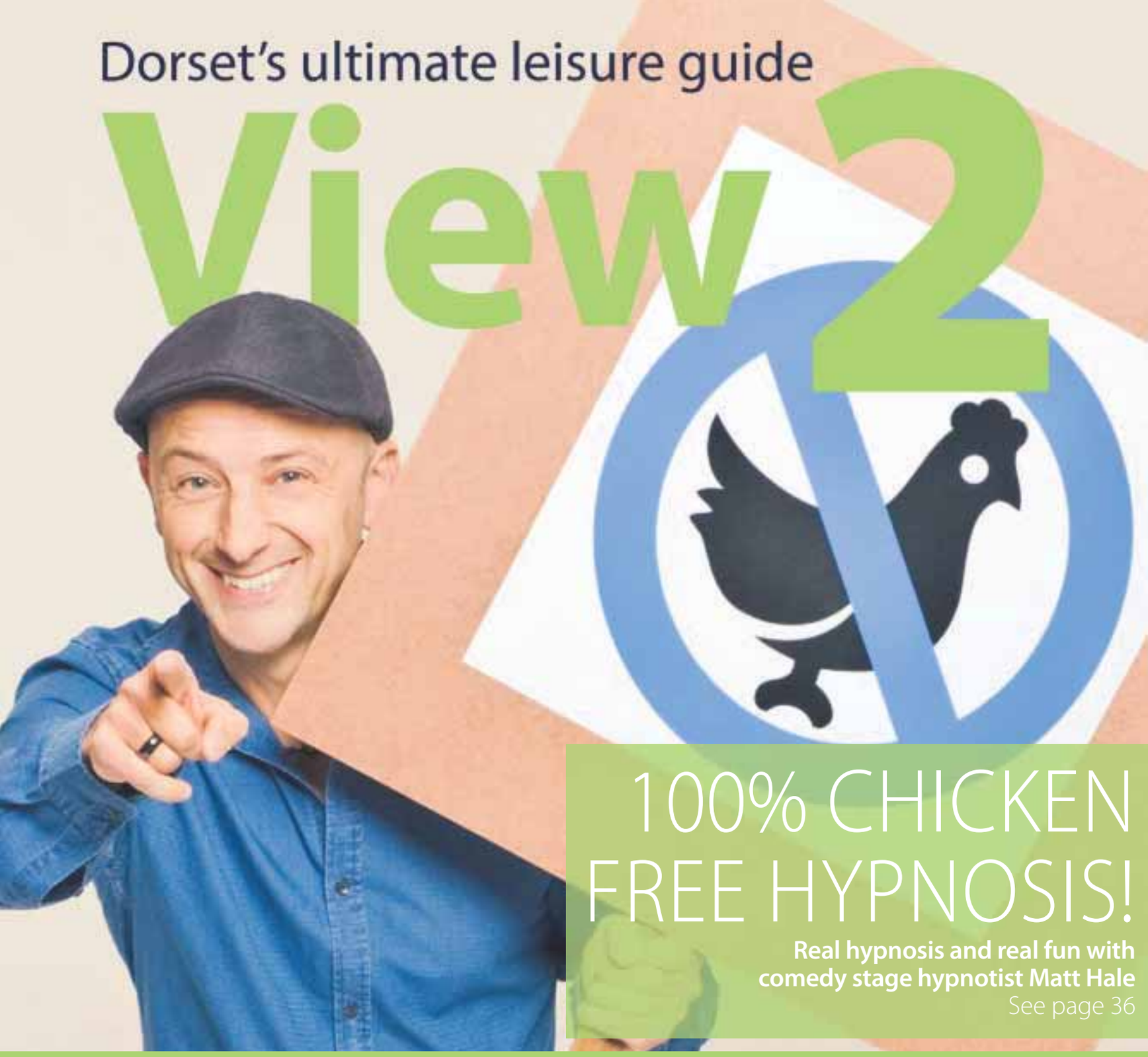

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Pick a side!

Mods and Rockers: which side where you on?

FEW tribute bands can genuinely claim to have a genuine rock star in its ranks. But the Mods & Rockers Show has just that in front man, Johnny Warman. The show will appear at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis, on Friday, July 15th.

Johnny was signed to Ringo Starr's record label, and had a string of hits in the 1970s and 1980s, including 'Screaming Jets', which featured Peter Gabriel.

"As a youth in the 60s, one of the biggest decisions you could make was whether to be a mod or a rocker," said, Johnny Warman, frontman of the band. "As soon as I heard The Who, I knew I had to be a mod. But being so young, I couldn't afford a scooter or any of the sharp suits. I'd catch the bus to hang out with my friends in town."

Johnny's passion for music began as a child. "I was walking home from school and passed a building where I heard music. I walked up to Dansette record player to find 'Love Me Do' by the Beatles playing. I was spellbound." In a happy twist of fate, Johnny later signed to Ringo Starr's record label and became the drummer's songwriting collaborator.

The Mods & Rockers Show show features over two hours of classic songs by Mod and Rock artists including The Who, The Rolling Stones, The Kinks, Jimi Hendrix, T. Rex, Eddie Floyd, The Equals, Toots & The Maytals, The Small Faces, Mott the Hoople, Chris Montez, The Animals, Pink Floyd, The Beatles and Procol Harum.

It follows Johnny and the band's storming appearance at the Marine Theatre last November with their Total Who Show. "Everyone who came will remember just how fantastic the night was," says Johnny. "We earned a standing ovation – and we're looking for a repeat performance with our Mods & Rockers Show."

The Mods & Rockers Show starts at 8pm on Friday, July 15th at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis.

To book, visit www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138.

Johnny Warman's Magic Bus

Thorncombe Battle of Bands Winners take the double!

THE STAGE was set, the lighting rig fired up and in the quiet little Dorset village of Thorncombe, something magical was about to happen! One by one, ten local bands from three counties (Somerset, Devon and Dorset) took to the stage to entertain the crowds at the annual beer and cider festival at the Sports & Social Club. After a highly charged night of amazingly good music, the judges deliberated before choosing four to go to Saturdays final showdown. There was a lot at stake as not only would the winners get a full day in the recording studio with professional record producer Phil Nicholas (who has worked with such legends as Def Leppard, Billy Ocean and Brian Adams) but there were also awards for Best cover, best original song and best under 21's band.

Winners: The Stylers

Senior judge musician and record producer Phil Nicholas commented "If I'm being honest, I came here expecting good but average local talent. To say I was surprised is an understatement! The whole judging team and I have been simply blown away by the depth and strength of local musicianship. There was not a single band that did not deserve to go to the final which made our choice really tough!" All the bands older and younger were playing their hearts out for a place in the first ever three county, TBOB final in Thorncombe but in the end, the judges selected Slinky Machine from Lyme Regis, Cloutsham from Wellington The Stylers from Dorchester and Recovering Satellites from Bridgewater.

Then it was the public's chance to get in on the judging action and vote to save their favourite band and take them through to the final. Votes counted, it was Banana High from Yeovil that made it through as a very worthy fifth place to play again.

Saturday night TBOB final

The day started with a strange twist of fate as Slinky Machine one of the judges' picks declared themselves withdrawing from the competition. This sounded bad but actually band spokesman John Robertson told the organiser "We were so impressed by the brilliant atmosphere and friendship between the bands that we decided as more seasoned musicians that we wanted to give our place to one of the younger bands who perhaps would benefit more from the prize." But Slinky Machine had so much fun, they offered to come back and play a 30 minute set on Saturday night anyway – For the crack!. Organiser Phil Gordon added "This was brilliant, so kind and really what I had hoped this event was all about – The music, the love of playing live and the chance to showcase the best up and coming bands of the area!"

The fifth band was Mandy for Girls who were really excited to get a reprieve so all was set for another titan struggle in the evening on Saturday. Rather frustratingly one of the band members pulled out at the last minute leaving the rest of the band unable to continue so the final missed having a fifth band competing. Each of the four finalists played an epic thirty minute set for the judges and the bar was raised higher still! The judges were given more thinking time with Slinky Machine's bonus set which went down very well with the crowd. Brad Baptist local musician from Lyme and member of the TBOB judging panel remarked "So hard to judge, because the quality was that good. Brilliantly organised competition"

TBOB Winners

Recovering Satellites won the 'Best Cover' TBOB with an outstanding and refreshingly different version of Joni Mitchells 'Big Yellow Taxi', Cloutsham won 'Best Original Song' with a track called 'Front door' and the overall winners were the youngest band in the competition 'The Stylers' who will be heading to a recording studio at the end of August were presented their award by Mark Ollier of Beviss & Beckingsale key event partners. Mark commented "We are delighted to be supporting TBOB this year- Its been a great night and we've all been really impressed with the depth of musical talent in the area – This is a great way to showcase the bands."

The stylers who come from Dorchester also won the best U21 band TBOB trophy too! Alfie Neale, lead singer and spokesman for the group said "We are totally delighted to win, especially with such a strong field of competition. I would like to give a special thanks you to the Stephen the singer/guitarist of Cloutsham who when my guitar string broke mid song rushed to my rescue and leant me his pride and joy guitar, such a nice thing to do!"

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Diminishing Tea Parties

A NEW fundraising initiative for Bridport Arts Centre kicked off last week. Supporter Margie Barbour hosted the first of, what is hoped will be many, 'Diminishing Tea Parties'.

The idea is that groups of people are invited to a tea party and all make a small donation in return. Then they go and host their own and their guests also make a donation and also host another round of tea parties and so it continues. The idea is to get a large section of the community involved.

Speaking about the tea party Margie says 'I really enjoyed getting the tea party together for everyone - I confess the cakes were from a supermarket- but the cucumber sandwiches (no crusts!) and the meringues were home made!

My friends were very curious about how it would work but once we had got together and enjoyed the slap up tea they were all planning their own events. From pub crawls to beach picnics- I am sure they are going to have fun!'.

If you would like to host your own 'diminishing tea party' for Bridport Arts Centre please contact Laura – laura@bridport-arts.com.

A fundraising group has also started selling raffle tickets to raise money for the refurbishments. There is a cash prize of £100 plus runner up prizes, you will be able to buy tickets from Bridport Arts Centre box office and people will be out and about over the summer and on the Arts Centre forecourt on market days.

The upgrades to the Arts Centre are well and truly underway, the refurbished Arts Centre will open in September with improved facilities and access along with a new café and bar. You can find out more about the changes at www.bridport-arts.com

Diverse line-up for Comedy Club

GET READY for some more top notch Comedy Fun at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, July 23rd, with a stellar bill of some of the finest, funniest and delightfully excellent comedians around.

Featuring New York's Abigoliah Schamaun, heavy metal alternative mayhem from Andrew O'Neill, stand up animation from Little Howard himself and all compèred by the splendidly funny Howard Read.

The Comedy Club will be the last evening before Bridport Arts Centre closes for the Summer to complete the refurbishments. The Arts Centre is carrying out a host of improvements to upgrade the 19th Century chapel and former School house that is home to Bridport Arts Centre. To mark the end of the summer season the Arts Centre and the View From Bridport are offering a special ticket promotion to all readers. Readers can buy two tickets for this great night for just £15. See accompanying voucher for full details.

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Abigollah Schamaun

A fun and therapeutic class with movement specifically designed for the symptoms of Parkinson's to start in Dorchester

As part of Pavilion Dance South West (PDSW)'s "Parkinson's Roll Out" project a new Parkinson's dance class launches in Dorchester at the Corn Exchange this July.

Dorchester Arts will be working with PDSW to provide a Parkinson's dance class that is specially developed to be fun, stimulating, motivating and challenging.

These sessions will support the improvement of balance, coordination and suppleness. They will be led by trained specialists and will be taught in a comfortable and safe environment.

Mark Tattersall, Artistic Director of Dorchester Arts said: "One of our core aims is to provide arts activities for the whole community and are delighted to be hosting this weekly class at the Corn Exchange.

"We are firm believers in the therapeutic value of the arts and this type of movement class has proved itself really effective all over the country.

"It is particularly appropriate that we should host it because we have been working with local playwright Sue Wylie on developing her play Kinetics, which is partly inspired by her own experience of being diagnosed with Parkinson's."

Kinetics is going on a 13 date regional tour in autumn, with several performances in Dorchester and across Dorset'

There are free taster sessions for the Parkinson's Dance class every Tuesday throughout July from 3pm – 4:30pm at the Corn Exchange. The official class starts from 6th September onwards and are £3.50 each. Carers are invited to join in free of charge.

For more information contact aimee@pdsw.org.uk / 01202 203630, or enquiries@dorchesterarts.org.uk / 01305 266926.

The Tempest of Lyme

Don't miss the exclusive performances of Shakespeare adaptation

THE Tempest of Lyme approaches Lyme Regis' seafront with 50-strong community cast. This special adaptation of Shakespeare's The Tempest incorporates the local link between the town and Shakespeare's last play.

In July 1609 Lyme Regis-born Admiral George Somers set sail to carry urgent supplies to the fledgling British settlement of Jamestown in Virginia. Three months into the voyage, the fleet hit a hurricane that wrecked Somers' ship on an uninhabited Bermuda. 150 passengers were stranded for ten months on the island before building new ships and sailing on to rescue Jamestown. One of his fellow crewmen was Sylvester Jourdain, also from Lyme Regis, who wrote an account of the storm, the shipwreck and the Isle of Devils, and published it in London. Shakespeare read the account, and was inspired to write his last play…The Tempest.

Rehearsals of The Tempest of Lyme

This July, to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Lyme's twinning with St George's Bermuda, the Marine Theatre stages *The Tempest of Lyme*, a new adaptation of Shakespeare's epic tale weaving in the story of Sir George Somers and his colonization of Virginia. Directed by Marine Artistic Director Clemmie Reynolds, with music by award-winning composer Andrew Dickson (High Hopes, Vera Drake), this open-air theatre production is to be performed on Theatre Square with sweeping views of the Jurassic Coastline and whatever weather we encounter as the perfect backdrop to the drama.

Performances take place from July 19th-24th, onstage nightly at 7pm, except on Thursday, July 21st when the performance will start at 8pm due to the Red Arrows display. Gates open one hours before onstage times (6.45pm on Thursday 21st).

Tickets are £10, under 18s £5, available from the box office at Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, or online at www.marinetheatre.com.

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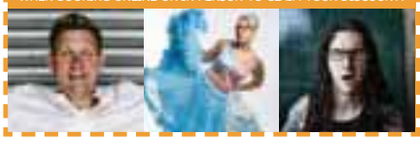

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Tempest of Lyme
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Stars Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig, Leslie Jones and Kate McKinnon.

ICE AGE: COLLISION COURSE U
MANNY, Diego, and Sid join up with Buck to fend off a meteor strike that would destroy the world.
Voices from Adam Devine, Simon Pegg and Jennifer Lopez.

KEANU 15
FRIENDS hatch a plot to retrieve a stolen kitten by posing as drug dealers for a street gang.
Stars Keegan-Michael Key, Jordan Peele and Tiffany Haddish.

PRECIOUS CARGO 15
A CRIME boss tries to make off with loot that belongs to another thief.
Stars Mark-Paul Gosselaar, Bruce Willis and Claire Forlani.

Cinema Listings

Fri, July 15th - Thu, July 21st
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Ghostbusters 2D 12A
Fri, Mon-Thu: 14.15, 17.00, 20.00
Sat & Sun: 11.45, 14.45, 17.00, 20.00
Ice Age: Collision Course 2D U
Fri, Tue-Thu: 12.00, 17.45
Sat & Sun: 11.30, 14.15, 17.45
Mon: 12.30, 17.45
Now You See Me 2 12A
Fri, Tue-Thu: 14.30, 20.15
Sat & Sun: 20.15, Mon: 12.00, 20.15
The Legend of Tarzan 2D 12A
Daily: 12.00, 14.45, 17.30, 20.30
The Secret Life of Pets 2D U
Fri, Mon-Thu: 11.45, 18.00,
Sat & Sun: 12.30, 15.15

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Mon-Thu: 12.50, 15.30, 18.30, 21.10
Ice Age: Collision Course U
Daily: 13.15, 15.50, 18.10
Plus Sat, Sun & Wed: 10.50am
Now You See Me 2 12A
Mon: 17.30
The Jungle Book PG
Sat & Sun: 10.00am
The Legend of Tarzan 12A
Fri-Sun, Tue-Thu: 17.40, 20.45,
Mon: 20.45
The Secret Life of Pets U
Fri, Wed: 12.25, 15.10
Sat: 10.30, 12.50, 15.30,
Sun: 12.50, 15.30
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Absolutely Fabulous 15
Fri, Mon: 20.00
Sat & Sun: 17.30, 20.00
The Secret Life of Pets U
Fri, Mon, Wed: 17.45
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Couple in a Hole 15 Sun: 19.30
Stand By Me 15 Thu: 19.30

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Fri, Mon-Tue: 12.00, 14.20, 16.30, 18.40, 20.50
Sat-Sun: 16.40, 18.50, 20.50
Wed-Thu: 14.20, 16.30, 18.40
Central Intelligence 12A
Fri, Mon-Wed: 12.00, 18.20, 21.00
Sat-Sun: 14.20, 18.20, 21.00,
Thu: 12.00
Ghostbusters 3D 12A
Daily: 12.15, 14.50, 17.30, 19.30
Ghostbusters 2D 12A
Fri-Sat: 12.15, 14.50, 17.30, 19.30, 20.30
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Ice Age: Collision Course 3D U
Fri-Sat, Mon-Thu: 17.30,
Sun: 12.15, 17.30
Independence Day:
Resurgence 2D 12A
Fri, Mon-Wed: 12.20, 20.10,
Sat-Sun: 20.10, Thu: 12.20, 20.40
Now You See Me 2 12A
Daily: 14.10, 17.00, 19.50
The Conjuring 2 15
Fri-Wed: 20.40
The Legend Of Tarzan 2D 12A
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UNTIL SUNDAY JULY 17TH

Upwey, Weymouth: An exhibition 'Celebrating Village Weddings' is being held at St Laurence Church in Upwey, Weymouth DT3 5QE. Organiser Sue Virgin says 'We've had a brilliant response from people married in the village, the display includes dresses, photos and other memorabilia from weddings from the 1920's to the 2010's.' The exhibition also includes information about the local men who lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars and Upwey School photographs from 1920's until it closed in 1976. The exhibition is open from 11am to 4pm* - Admission is Free - Donations invited (fundraising to improve church facilities) *Services are held at 10.30am on Sundays and 10am on Wednesdays – you are welcome to join us. Further info Sue Virgin email sue.virgin@gmail.com or 01305 267759

UNTIL WEDNESDAY JULY 20TH

Lyme Regis: Local artists Pamela Allsop and Zee Jones exhibit their up-lifting and colourful mixed media paintings of the coast, countryside, flowers and interiors in their third joint show entitled Together Again. Free entry. Open daily from 10.30-4.30. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. www.townmillarts.co.uk
Lyme Regis: Colour Line and Thread 2016 is the sixth annual exhibition of the latest works by four popular local artists: painter Hilary Buckley, photographer Pete Hackett, textile artist Sue Calder and land artist John Calder. Free entry. Open daily from 10.30-4.30. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. www.townmillarts.com
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WEDNESDAY JULY 13TH

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
Lyme Regis: Following his critically acclaimed Elgar Cd ,John Challenger Frco, organ scholar, St George's Chapel, Windsor, and St John's College Cambridge ,at present assistant organist at Salisbury Cathedral, will be playing on the magnificent Skrabl organ, works including Couperin, Bach, Cesar Franck and Elgar's Imperial March. 7.30pm at St Michael's Parish Church. Tickets £10 from Tourist Board, Penny Blacks Cafe, or on the door.
Dorchester: Dorchester Community Church in Acland Road hold a Coffee-Pop In every Wednesday from 9.30am to 12noon. There is also a stall selling goods in aid of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Come along any time for a warm welcome.
Lyme Regis: U3A Heritage Coast. 'The Shetland Bus'. Illustrated talk by Kathy McNally, describing the courageous journeys by Norwegian fishermen carrying agents and supplies to Norway from Shetland during World War II. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10am, talk at 11am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.
Dorchester: Evergreen Cinema showing Agatha Christie's Miss Marple in 'Murder at the Gallop'. Lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the show for £1.50. Ice creams also available. Everyone welcome to Age UK Dorchester's centre in Prince of Wales Road. For more details call 01305 269444.

FRIDAY JULY 15TH

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.15am at the village hall. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
West Bay, Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

FRIDAY JULY 15TH & SATURDAY JULY 16TH

Maiden Newton: Maiden Newton Art Group are holding their Annual Summer Art & Craft Exhibition at Maiden Newton Village Hall. 6-9pm on Friday with wine and nibbles. 10am-4pm on Saturday, with refreshments, homemade cakes, craft stalls and demonstrations. Prizegiving will be at the end of the afternoon on Saturday for the Chairman's Challenge and Children's 'Wild West' Art Competition. All are welcome and entry is free.

SATURDAY JULY 16TH

Uplyme: Uplyme's 87th Summer Show and Country Fayre, from 1pm to 5pm. The programme is now available in Uplyme Stores, Raymonds Hill Post Office and Ginger Beer, and will tell you about the many and varied activities which will divert you on the day, as well as the Competitions and Family Dog Show - a really good afternoon out!
Dorchester: A Summer Soiree -an evening of beautiful music , including Folk Songs, Madrigals and Sacred Music. A performance by Dorset chamber Choir, conducted by David Everett. Tickets £10 including light snacks. Tickets available on the door or in advance from the Museum.
Bothenhampton: Film: 'The Dressmaker' showing at Bothenhampton Village Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets available on the door for £4 members of the film club, or £5 everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071. Organised by Village Hall Committee.

SUNDAY JULY 17TH

Osmington: Antique Fair at Osmington Village Hall every 3rd Sunday each month. Fair runs from 10am until 4pm. Entry is free, parking, excellent food, and disabled access. New traders welcome. Please contact Lyn on 07879497319 for details.
Bridport: Bridport Food Market every Sunday, 9am-3pm at St Michael's Trading Estate. Visit bit.ly/29vi8uY for more details

MONDAY JULY 18TH

Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

TUESDAY JULY 19TH

West Bay, Bridport: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY JULY 20TH

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
Dorchester: Dorchester Community Church in Acland Road hold a Coffee-Pop In every Wednesday from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon. There is also a stall selling goods in aid of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Come along any time for a warm welcome.

THURSDAY JULY 21ST

Bridport: Robert Golden will give a talk entitled 'Neoliberalism: Fascism's bedfellow' in the Ambulance Hall, Rax Lane, 7.30pm. All welcome. Visitors £4 includes refreshments. Enquiries Peter 01308 458283
West Bay, Bridport: West Bay WI Summer Fete at the Salthouse. 11am-4pm. Refreshments, stalls and bottle tombola. All welcome, free admission.
Buckland Newton: Antiques Valuation and Tea Party to be held at the Manor House, Buckland Newton, 3.00pm - 6.30pm. Paul Atterbury has kindly agreed to join the valuation experts from Dukes Auctioneers. Entrance £5, to include tea & scone.Cost to value up to 3 items, £5. Childrens' activity area. All proceeds to restoration and improvements to Buckland Newton Church.

FRIDAY JULY 22ND

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.15am at the village hall. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
West Bay, Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

SATURDAY JULY 23RD

Dorchester: Langham Wine Estate Tasting Room opening. 12-4pm. Enjoy a glass of Langham wine to accompany food from local caterers. Guided vineyard tours will run regularly throughout the afternoon.

SUNDAY JULY 24TH

Bridport: Bridport Food Market every Sunday, 9am-3pm at St Michael's Trading Estate. Visit bit.ly/29vi8uY for more details

MONDAY JULY 25TH

Burton Bradstock: Biodanza at Othona. Express, Connect, Relax! Dance like no one's watching, no steps to learn, no partner needed, uplifting world music and holistic health benefits. For all ages from 19 to 90. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. For those who have attended 5 or more Biodanza sessions. £7 (concs available). At Othona Community, Coast Road. For more details call 01308 897 130 or visit biodanza-bridport.co.uk
Bridport: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

TUESDAY JULY 26TH

West Bay, Bridport: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.
Dorchester: Dinosaurs Clay Workshop age 5+ at Munchkins Play Café, 33 Trinity Street, Dorchester. 10.30am-12noon. All ages can join us for a dinosaur story then younger brothers and sisters can enjoy Munchkins while older kids get creative. Have fun making your favourite dinosaur using air drying clay, then use paint to decorate it. Please pre book your space on the workshop at Munchkins. £6 per child.

WEDNESDAY JULY 27TH

Martinstown, near Dorchester: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

Email your diary dates listings to rob@viewnews.co.uk

Exploring strange new worlds!

Camp Bestival's travelling barn and caravanserai line-ups revealed

IT'S NOW just t-minus three weeks and counting until Camp Bestival heads into Outer Space. As we prepare for lift off at the UK's greatest family festival, we are delighted to reveal the line-ups for The Travelling Barn and Caravanserai, two of our favourite space destinations on the outer limits of entertainment.

The Jimmy Hillbillies

Camp Bestival curator Rob da Bank says: "From hillbilly barn dancing, do-si-dos and swinging your pants in the Travelling Barn, to the unique surrounds of Caravanserai and its supercharged brass madness and mind-boggling sideshow fun, I think these are two of the best venues you'll find at any festival anywhere in the world. Perfect if you're after a bit of escapism, so get in there, have a drink and a dance and let yourself go. I will be!"

Travelling Barn curator Greg Butler said: "Time travel back to the Travelling Barn where there's old fashioned family entertainment for all – whether that's having a hoedown at high noon, laughing at the antics of Laurel and Hardy or just posing for pictures in our vintage 'peep board'".

Caravanserai curator Chris Tofu said: "Caravanserai is the ultimate festival venue par excellence, where art, brass and vibe all come together in a cavalcade of festi-vibes and madness. A place whose beating heart is all about the festival love."

A toe-tapping promised land of musical rarity, The Travelling Barn is hoedown HQ at Camp Bestival boasting a line-up of swinging selectors rocking the 78s including DJ GG, DJ 78, Dr Sid, Edison Wax Cylinders, Flutter and Wow, Greg's Greats 78s, Jules Bushell, Latin & Cumbia Rhythms, Lil' Miss Lonesome, Not Saffron, Sounds of the Townships, Tony Tunes, Young DJ Henry and Windies 78s.

They also have live a smorgasbord of live music from Andrea Amorim, The AntiPoet, Duke Special, Ella and the Blisters, Henry Nurse, The Jimmy Hillbillies, Kelly Oliver, Kid Carpet, Travelling by Butterfly, Miel De Botton, Schrodinger's Strings, The Siren Sisters, and The Two Man Travelling Medicine Show. And there will be theatre-based fun with a tribute to Laurel & Hardy from Lucky Dog.

Further space exploration at Lulworth Castle will reveal one of the festival scene's most stunning creations, Caravanserai; the ramshackle run of remodelled caravans. An enchanting bar and venue filled with exotic curios and trinkets, and brimming with electro-swing amenity, expect gypsy-tinged vintage beats to keep you on your feet from the likes of DJs Chris Tofu and Penny Metal. And there will be tub thumping live brouhaha from The After Hours, The Brass Funkeys, Don Kipper, Easy Stride Band, Fat Relic, Forest of Fools, Hallouminati, Kid Carpet, My Baby, Seas of Mirth, Temple Funk Collective, The Two Man Travelling Medicine Show and Victor Menace. While Caravanserai's theatre and circus antics will come courtesy of Cirqueserai and Oh MY God! It's the Church.

If you're looking for strange new worlds or to take your festival fun into uncharted space, The Travelling Barn and Caravanserai are unmissable!

Former tv presenter Nick Page to headline Pilot Boat comedy night

TV PRESENTER turned comedian Nick Page will headline the next comedy night at the Pilot Boat Inn in Lyme Regis.

The regular Pilot Boat comedy night is back with another stellar line up of comics, this month headlined by former BBC favourite Nick Page who this month finished as runner up in the English Comedian of the Year final.

Nick Page

Nick has been on the comedy circuit for over a decade, performing worldwide, and has built up a never ending wealth of outlandish tales about his runs ins with the law, ex partners and ladies of the night. A born cynic who cannot avoid mischief, Nick also has some of the best ideas going for smartphone apps, fizzy drinks companies and what you can do with a highlighter pen.

Opening the show will be westcountry madman Jon Wagstaffe, a force of nature who whips his audience up into a frenzy of laughter. A Cliff Richard fanatic and a Blue Peter badge holder Wagstaffe is a one of a kind westcountry eccentric who never fails to fill a room with laughter.

Completing the line up will be prop comic and quickfire gag merchant Alf and character comic Tim Hoskins.

Resident compere Tom Glover will once again be at the helm for the night, chatting with the club's regular crowd and getting to know all the newcomers.

The next Pilot Boat Comedy night will be this Saturday, July 16th at 8pm, doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £8 and are available from the bar on 01297 443157.

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With rustic bread

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With pancetta

DEEP FRIED WHITEBAIT
With a rustic tartare sauce

SALMON AND DILL FISH CAKE
With a lemon and dill mayo

CHEF'S SOUP OF THE DAY
With crusty baguette

SOMERSET GOATS CHEESE, BEETROOT
and bay leaf salad

TOASTED BRUSCHETTA
With garlic cherry tomato, mozzarella and basil

Main Courses

HAND CARVED ROAST OF THE DAY
With roast potatoes, vegetables and Yorkshire pudding

CHEF'S BEER BATTERED FISH OF THE DAY
With hand cut chips and garden peas

HOMEMADE STEAK, MUSHROOM AND KIDNEY PIE
With new potatoes and vegetables

HOME COOKED GAMMON HAM
With 2 lightly fried eggs and hand cut chips

HOMEMADE WARM SCOTCH EGGS
With new potatoes and salad

SUPREME OF SALMON
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Comedy hypnotist Matt Hale comes to Dorchester

REAL HYPNOSIS, real fun…and no chickens! Globetrotting, award winning Comedy Stage Hypnotist Matt Hale heads to Dorchester with his brand new show on Saturday, July 23rd at Dorchester Corn Exchange.

After packed 2015 shows, filming a new TV show, and touring internationally, Matt's back with his modern brand of hypno-laughs, hypnotising volunteers with hilarious (but tasteful!) consequences as their imaginations work overtime.

Suitable for all ages this entertaining show can be enjoyed from the stage or audience…the choice is always yours in this volunteers-only show. Matt always ensures those who take part have the best time out of everyone.

Winner of 3 national comedy awards, Matt has hypnotised people all over the world from London to Vegas (where even Mike Tyson told him "You are AMAZING!").

He's appeared in media as diverse as the UK's tabloids, BBC, ABC, Today Tonight and has been included in the National Film and Sound Archive and Ripley's Believe It Or Not.

He has also released his own range of hypnosis products.

For a fun-filled night, and absolutely 100% chicken free see Matt Hale at the Corn Exchange on Saturday 23 July, 8pm. For booking visit www.dorchesterarts.org.uk or call 01305 266926.

Tales of the other folk

POPULAR local storyteller Martin Maudsley, together with fiddle-player Fiona Barrow, breathes new life into old stories from East Anglian fens to hidden Dorset holloways. On Friday, July 22nd Martin and Fiona will take us on a journey of words, wonder and music to meet 'the other folk'. We might have forgotten them, but they haven't forgotten us.

This land was not always ours. Once upon a time it belonged to the others – the little people, the hidden ones, the fair folk. The wilder corners of the British Isles are still interwoven with tales of other-worldly encounters, sometimes delightful, often dark.

Due to the current renovations at the Arts Centre, the Story Café will be at Watercleaves DT6 5HW (next door to Washingpool Farm), outdoors if the weather is good. The storytelling begins at 7.30pm. The evening is suitable for adults and older children. Tickets are £8 (£5 concessions) available on the night and in advance from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 or website www.bridport-arts.com

Martin Maudsley and Fiona Barrow

Pupils play brings history to life at Tolpuddle festival

PERFORMING Arts drama students from a Somerset school are bring the Tolpuddle story to life at this month's festival in the small Dorset village.

The students from Heathfield Community School in Taunton performed to packed audiences over three nights earlier in the year, and are bring highlights from the production to the 2016 Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival this Sunday, July 17th.

Drama teacher, Helen Elliott, launched this ambitious project with a group of 21 year 11 BTEC Acting students in September 2015 with a visit to Tolpuddle, the TUC Martyrs Museum and Dorchester Shire Hall Old Court.

Helen said; "The students in their cast roles explored Tolpuddle village and its unique history. The "labourers" stood outside the Methodist chapel, "James Hammett" visited his grave, "Rev Warren" stood proprietorially in the doorway of St John's church, "Thomas Standfield" at his own cottage and the six labourers, later martyrs, organised at the iconic sycamore tree - where the student cast of 21 gathered, hands held around the tree to pledge the oath, "We raise the watchword liberty, We will, We will, We will be free".

"The cast then moved on to Dorchester Court where they visited the cold, unforgiving, holding cells. They rehearsed, in situ, the court scene where the six labourers were sentenced to transportation for seven years to Australia on a trumped up charge of sedition for "swearing an oath."

Graham Padden, playwright of "The Wrong End of the World" allowed the students to perform his version of the play - first performed at Salisbury Playhouse, and visited rehearsals over two days to offer support and advice.

Helen, with the support of school's performing arts team, was pleased to be able to support the students to develop their understanding of this important piece of social history.

The production was supported by unions and organisations across the region including UNISON, UNITE, Thompson's solicitors, FBU, EQUITY, South West TUC, NASUWT and the NUT. The union loaned the production banners and members attended the initial production, they are now looking forward to seeing the students at the Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival.

Helen summed up by saying; "This has been much more than a school play. The learning experience of taking on such a challenging piece, understanding the Trade Union movement and the role of modern day trade unions - helped by a workshop run by colleagues from Unison South West, has given the students a valuable insight in to how extraordinary people can achieve extraordinary things.

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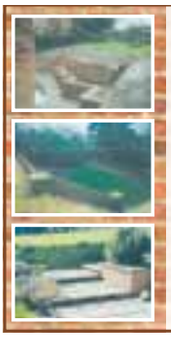

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Honda Jazz wins at 2016 Telegraph Cars Awards 2016

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With the third generation launched last year, the latest incarnation of the Jazz builds on the strong reputation of its highly successful predecessors. The global car, also known as the 'Fit' in some markets, has sold over 5 million units worldwide since the first generation model was introduced in 2001 and it is currently being manufactured in seven countries.

What the judges said: "Many have tried to copy the Jazz's formula for success, but nothing does it quite so well. For a small car interior space is impressive, and Honda's reliability record is superb."

Phil Webb, Head of Cars at Honda UK, commented: "Being recognised by one of the foremost motoring teams at one of our national newspapers is a fantastic accolade for both the brand and the Jazz. The Jazz is a very important model for us, with an extremely loyal following, so we look forward to seeing this success continue."

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Jaguar Land Rover demonstrates all-terrain self-driving research

WHITLEY, UK: Jaguar Land Rover has demonstrated a range of innovative research technologies that would allow a future autonomous car to drive itself over any surface or terrain.

Jaguar Land Rover's multi-million pound Autonomous all-terrain driving research project aims tomake the self-driving car viable in the widest range of real life, on- and off-road driving environments and weather conditions.

Tony Harper, Head of Research, Jaguar Land Rover, said: "Our all-terrain autonomy research isn't just about the car driving itself on a motorway or in extreme off-road situations. It's about helping both the driven and autonomous car make their way safely through any terrain or driving situation.

"We don't want to limit future highly automated and fully autonomous technologies to tarmac. When the driver turns off the road, we want this support and assistance to continue. In the future, if you enjoy the benefits of autonomous lane keeping on a motorway at the start of your journey, we want to ensure you can use this all the way to your destination, even if this is via a rough track or gravel road.

"So whether it's a road under construction with cones and a contraflow, a snow-covered road in the mountains or a muddy forest track, this advanced capability would be available to both the driver AND the autonomous car, with the driver able to let the car take control if they were unsure how best to tackle an obstacle or hazard ahead. We are already world-leaders in all-terrain technologies: these research projects will extend that lead still further."

To enable this level of autonomous all-terrain capability, Jaguar Land Rover's researchers are developing next-generation sensing technologies that will be the eyes of the future autonomous car. Because the sensors are always active and can see better than the driver, this advanced sensing will ultimately give a vehicle the high levels of artificial intelligence required for the car to think for itself and plan the route it should take, on any surface.

SURFACE IDENTIFICATION AND 3D PATH SENSING research combines camera, ultrasonic, radar and LIDAR sensors to give the car a 360 degree view of the world around it, with sensors so advanced that the car could determine surface characteristics, down to the width of a tyre, even in rain and falling snow, to plan its route.

Tony Harper said: "The key enabler for autonomous driving on any terrain is to give the car the ability to sense and predict the 3D path it is going to drive through. This means being able to scan and analyse both the surface to be driven on, as well as any hazards above and to the sides of the path ahead. This might include car park barriers, tree roots and boulders or overhanging branches, as well as the materials and topography to be driven on."

Ultrasonic sensors can identify surface conditions by scanning up to five metres ahead of the car, so Terrain Response settings could be automatically changed before the car drives from tarmac to snow, or from grass to sand. This will optimise all-terrain performance, without loss of momentum or control.

To complete the 3D path, branches overhanging a track, or a car park overhead barrier would also need to be identified to determine if the route ahead is clear. Overhead Clearance Assist uses stereo camera technology to scan ahead for overhead obstructions. The driver programmes the system with the vehicle's height, which can include roof boxes or bicycles, and the car will warn the driver with a simple message in the infotainment touchscreen if there is insufficient clearance.

Sensors could also be used to scan the roughness of the road or track ahead and adjust vehicle speed. TERRAIN-BASED SPEED ADAPTION (TBSA) uses cameras to sense bumpy terrain including uneven and undulating surfaces and washboard roads, potholes and even standing water. It is then intelligent enough to predict the potential impact of these surfaces on the car's ride and automatically adjust speed to keep passengers comfortable.

Another key element of successful all-terrain autonomous driving is the ability for vehicles to communicate with each other, especially if they are out of sight around a bend or on the other side of an off-road obstacle.

In a world-first off-road demonstration, Jaguar Land Rover has connected two Range Rover Sports togetherusing innovative DSRC (Dedicated Short Range Communications) technology to create an Off-Road Connected Convoy. This wireless vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communications system shares information including vehicle location, wheel-slip, changes to suspension height and wheel articulation, as well as All-Terrain Progress Control (ATPC) and Terrain Response settings instantly between the two vehicles.

Tony Harper said: "This V2V communications system can seamlessly link a convoy of vehicles in any off-road environment. If a vehicle has stopped, other vehicles in the convoy will be alerted – if the wheels of drop into a hole, or perhaps slip on a difficult boulder, this information is transmitted to all of the other vehicles. In the future, a convoy of autonomous vehicles would use this information to automatically adjust their settings or even change their route to help them tackle the obstacle.

"Or for the ultimate safari experience, cars following in convoy would be told by the lead car where to slow down and stop for their passengers to take the best photographs."

▲ All-terrain self-driving concept

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Water Polo

West Dorset squad celebrate league title

THE undefeated 1610 West Dorset Under 15 Waterpolo team is celebrating winning the Key Stage 3 league title.

The team, which trains weekly at Dorchester Sports Centre, has beaten teams from across Wiltshire and Dorset to recently clinch the coveted title.

The squad of 35 players has gone from strength to strength during the last six years since it was formed at the new improved facilities at Dorchester Sports Centre.

It boasts many County standard players and 14-year-olds Poppy Elliman and Alex Felton have just been selected for the South West Waterpolo squad. Former team member Harry Wheeler (16) has gone on to play for the GB Waterpolo team.

The squad is coached by Head Coach Tanya Wheeler, as well as coaches Andrea Dabbs, Jonah Jones, Cameron Dabbs and Pete Brown who have inspired the players to become one of the most successful Waterpolo teams in the South West.

Andrea Dabbs who organises the team's fixtures and who has been part of the driving force behind the team's success, is very proud of what the talented players have achieved: "We are delighted for the players who have worked so hard all season never losing a game.

"We have some extremely gifted players but they all work together under the careful guidance of a dedicated team of coaches.

"The improved facilities at Dorchester Sports Centre have undoubtedly helped the team's success and growth of the squad.

"This season we have had new goals installed which has made a great difference to the team's performance, investment in sport does really pay off."

For more information about the1610 West Dorset Waterpolo squad please contact Andrea Dabbs Tel 01305 858400.

Tournament ahead

AN under 13 mixed water polo tournament is scheduled to be played on Saturday, July 23rd (6-9 pm) at 1610 Dorchester. So far West Dorset and Exeter have signed up to compete.
St Austell have withdrawn, and a reply is awaited from Taunton.

This will be followed by an U16 girls match between West Dorset and Exeter.

◆ **UNBEATABLE:** The 1610 West Dorset U15 Waterpolo squad celebrate their impressive league title triumph

Sailing

Hunter hopeful of heroics as series heads for Hamburg

REFLECTING on his first experience in skippering the Land Rover BAR Academy GC32 yacht at the recent Cardiff leg of the Extreme Sailing Series, Weymouth-based sailor Neil Hunter is eagerly looking forward to his next opportunity 'at the helm,

Hunter said: "I think it was pretty pleasing for the guys, We got a few good results over the last few days, a couple of seconds, mixing it up with the top teams, so I think it's really positive moving forwards for the team.

"Obviously there was quite a lot of pressure on me personally coming in to this having had limited experience in this class anyway. But I think it's been really good experience and I think I've risen to it quite well.

"These boats are absolutely brutal, especially when you put them on such small courses like in Cardiff. In previous events the courses have been slightly bigger, which means you're not having to do manoeuvre after manoeuvre quite so quickly. It has been physically demanding for the crews, especially in a small venue like Cardiff, but we have been putting in the work in the gym and I think it's paying.

"Our boat handling, have been really good and we've made some strong gains in racing generally. We're a new team so gelling as a team has been really good.

"I think moving forwards, that is going to continue and hopefully we'll be mixing it a bit more with the top teams in Hamburg at the end of the month.

Land Rover BAR Academy finished seventh for Act 3, Cardiff, which sees them sit in fifth overall for the 2016 season.

Unfortunately the crew suffered structural damage to the boat which put them out of racing on the second day however the British team did secure two second place results during the Act.

The next event is Act 4, Hamburg, taking place from 28 - 31 July

◆ Neil Hunter

Raptors making progress in difficult debut season

DESPITE still hunting their first win in the 2016 National League Division 2 South West divison the Dorchester-based Jurassic Coast Raptors american football team continue to make giant strides.

Their latest defeat, a 20-7 home defeat at the hands of Swindon Storm brought the following tweet from their opponents: *"An absolute war down in Dorset! Lots of ironman, lots of rookies and a great spirit from both teams! Thanks for the game @JurassicRaptors*

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Kent	11	10
Middlesex	9	9
SOMERSET	11	7
Hampshire	10	4

DCB Premier	Pld	Pts
Wimborne & Colehill	11	178
Sherborne	11	166
Poole Town	11	161
DORCHESTER	11	156
Broadstone	11	122
MARTINSTOWN	11	122
Stalbridge	11	116
Shillingstone	11	104
Swanage	11	83
Parley	11	57

Dorset Div One	Pld	Pts
Hamworthy Rec	10	159
Christchurch	10	136
Bere Regis	10	132
Cerne Valley	10	118
Shroton	9	116
Broadstone 2nds	10	103
WEYMOUTH	10	101
Wimborne & C 2nds	9	99
Ferndown Wayfarers	10	67

Dorset Div Two	Pld	Pts
CATTISTOCK	11	165
Witchampton	11	150
Branksome	11	147
Poole Town 2nds	11	147
PORTLAND RT	11	136
Compton House	11	120
Blandford	11	113
Stalbridge 2nds	11	99
Marnhull	11	93
Ashmore	11	51

Dorset Div Three	Pld	Pts
Cranborne	11	172
Shillingstone 2nds	11	148
Sturminster Marshall	11	145
DORCHESTER 2nds	11	133
Sherborne 2nds	11	123
BEAMINSTER	11	115
Bournemouth 3rds	11	107
Kingston Lacy	11	107
Wimborne & Col 3rds	11	98
Poole Town 3rds	11	55

Dorset Div Four	Pld	Pts
CHARLTON DOWN	11	201
Hamworthy Res 2nds	11	185
ABBOTSBURY	11	174
Dorset Indian Tigers	11	142
Corfe Mullen	11	135
Sturminster & Hinton	11	127
Puddletown	11	123
Wareham	11	85
Blandford 2nds	11	64
Swanage 2nds	11	54

Dorset Div Five	Pld	Pts
Chalke Valley	8	141
Shaftesbury	9	136
Cerne Valley 2nds	9	116
Witchampton 2nds	8	103
Broadstone 3rds	9	86
MARTINST'N 2nds	8	71
Bere Regis 2nds	8	51
Pimperne	7	21

Dorset Sunday Div 1	Pld	Pts
Corfe Mullen	8	128
Sherborne	8	105
St Georges	8	95
PORTLAND RT	8	74
Poole Town	7	66
Broadstone	8	47
Dewlish	7	45

Dorset Sunday Div 2	Pld	Pts
Old Blandfordians	9	138
WEYMOUTH	9	118
Pokesdown Willows	9	110
CHARLTON DOWN	9	107
Stalbridge	9	92
Shillingstone	9	83
Witchampton	9	83
Cheselbourne	9	49

Mid Wessex West	Pld	Pts
BW & M Chinnock	7	119
ROADWINDSOR	8	99
North Perrott	6	93
Broadway & Horton	8	85
Crewkerne	8	66
SYMENE	6	47
Compton House	7	1

Dorset Cricket

WITH STUART BROOM

Broadstone blunted by Browne ton

Dorset Funeral Plan League
PREMIER LEAGUE
DORCHESTER (20) 208-6 BEAT SHILLINGSTONE (7) 206 ALL OUT BY 3 WICKETS

DORCHESTER returned to winning ways with a hard earned victory over Shillingstone that saw them home with an over to spare.

Economic bowling by the county town restricted the hosts to 206 all out; a good effort by Dorchester after Shillingstone looked well placed at 128-1 with captain Roy Haycock leading the way with 73.

However the introduction of the young spinners paid dividends with Will McKay (4-41) removing Ashley Merritt (47) after which he and George Foot (2-44) picked up wickets at regular intervals.

Captain Simon Mitchem said: "They were a different sid to the one we played earlier in the season. Their captain Haycock batted really well with Merritt, and at 128-1 we were staring down the barrel and a score of maybe 260/270.

"However Will McKay and George Foot got us back in the game which was great. Having dismissed them for 206, on that pitch we always thought we had a chance.

Pete Moxom (17) after an encouraging start, and McKay (4) both departed to leave Dorchester on 34-2, but Dan Morris (13) and Dan Belt steadied the ship. When opener Belt (46) departed for 94-4 bowled by a beauty from off spinner Tom House that turned 12-18 inches, skipper Simon Mitchem stepped up to the plate.

He and Quenton Miller looked put Dorchester back on track as they added 72 for the fifth wicket before Miller (30) was run out.

Mitchem took full responsibility for Miller's dismissal saying: "He was batting really well. We were keeping our heads down and hitting the bad ball and pushing ones and two's and then I ran him out!"

However Foot (16) quickly added a couple of sixes as Dorchester edged nearer leaving Nick Roe to claim victory with what Mitchem described as, one of those horrible freak shots", a ramp shot, leaving Mitchem unbeaten on 64.

On his own performance he added: "I was a bit scratchy as I hadn't been feeling well all week and it wasn't the most fluent of innings.

STALBRIDGE (5) 152 ALL OUT LOST TO MARTINSTOWN (20) 252-6 BY100 RUNS

MARTINSTOWN made it back-to-back wins with a comprehensive victory over Stalbridge.

Electing to bat, Martinstown made a slow but steady start on a hard, low wicket and when Ed Nichols was dismissed in the 22nd over they were 55-2.

However Ben Lawes continued his form of last week with a fine 72, and with great support from Dave Herbert (43) and Steve Gerety (38) they steadily increased the run rate. With Fraser Hill adding a quickfire 27 not out Martinstown reached a very respectable 252-6 in their 50 overs.

There was a bonus for Martinstown when Chris Read (1-14) struck with the fourt ball of the innings, bowling the dangerous Rob Burfitt with a peach of a ball. James Pickering (3-26 off ten) then removed Tom Hatcher (17), George Coleman (3) and Josh York (0) in a superb spell to leave Stalbridge wobbling on 48-4.

Although Eddie Clements (63) held the innings together, they couldn't establish any partnerships until last pair Steve Forshaw (17no) and Jon Fryer (15) dug in to earn another batting point at the end. Ryan Chase with 3-41 ensuring victory by 100 runs.

County Division One
BROADSTONE (11) 241-8 LOST TO WEYMOUTH (19) 267-7 BY 26 RUNS

SIMON Browne led his side to just their second win of the season with a superb unbeaten 121 not out to move Weymouth out of the bottom two.

Browne had led a rallying call before the game for all to do their bit, which he did, leading by example as the Seasiders posted 267-7 in their 45 overs.

Both openers Dean Janaway and Kieron Womble were back in the pavilion with barely forty on the board, but Paul Payne (52) continued his recent good form with a half century as he and Browne took the score to near three figures before he fell.

Browne took control however and although he lost partners at regular intervals, Harry Mitchell (18) proved the perfect partner, allowing his skipper to farm the bowling, as they added 89 in eight overs to post a score of 267-7.

Graham Puckett (1-22 from nine overs) and Michael Pearce kept it tight early on and at 42-3 Broadstone were far behind the asking rate after 15 overs.

However they rallied and despite some excellent bowling from 16-year-old Jon Webb who took 3-30 and took a great caught and bowled, the hosts crept nearer without really threatening to reach the target.

Browne said: "We took our foot of the gas a little bit and although they were never to going to get there, we would have liked to knocked them over for a lot less, but beggars can't be choosers and a wins, a win.

"The 19 points pulls us up a little and gives all the lads a bit of confidence."

◆ TON: Simon Browne

County Division Two
CATTISTOCK (20) 206 ALL OUT BEAT BLANDFORD (5) 96 ALL OUT BY 110 RUNS

CATTISTOCK continue to head Division 2 after another victory in what was the most fluent of victories.

Electing to bat, they lost Martin Langford (4) and Billy Walbridge (1) with 21 on the board, but the indomitable Jon Legg was once again in good form. Billy Tucker (21) added 49 with him and Liam Toohill(14) as they reached 107-3.

However, a mini crisis saw them plunge to 145-7 when Legg was finally out for 73 having hit 13x4.

Enter Damen Bradley who didn't hang around hitting 4x4, 5x6 in an innings of 52 off just 28 balls. He smashed Blandford's Dave Abbot who had claimed 4-11 in two overs, for 30 in his next three as Cattistock posted a reasonable target of 206 all out.

Blandford came out all guns blazing but lost Alex Sullivan (8) before Kevin Abbot looking to hit anything in sight raced to 41 before he was caught on the boundary with the score 66-2.

From then on the hosts took control led by Toohill (4-12 from 9 overs) and finished by Sam Baker who took two wickets in his only over (2-0) to end the match.

ASHMORE (7) 231-4 LOST TO PORTLAND RT (17) 232-5 BY 5 WICKETS

PORTLAND RT were given a fright by bottom side Ashmore who had lost all nine games and cut adrift of Division Three.

It seemed routine when Matt Barrett (3-40) bowled Rich Woodhouse (2) with only three on the board, but them a magnificent second wicket stand of 197 between Andy Taylor and Lee Russell suggested Ashmore were going to break their duck.

However Gary Randall finally broke the partnership by bowling Lee Russell for 106, and with Taylor carriing his bat with 92 not out, the hosts posted 231-4 in their allocation.

Joe Adkins (36) and Elliott Sawyer (58) gave Triangle a good start in reply with an opening stand of 96. But when skipper Matt Randall (40) was dismissed at 182-5, there was still doubt as to whether they would reach their target.

But an unbroken half century sixth wicket stand between Dave Adkins (25no) and Simon Barrett (27no) they reached their target with one over to spare.

County Division Three
BOURNEMOUTH 3RD (19) 204-6 BEAT BEAMINSTER (6) 162-9 BY 42 RUNS

BEAMINSTER'S winning streak came to a disappointing end as they were convincingly beaten at Bournemouth by 42 runs. With a severely weakened side the visitors fielded first on a slow wicket with long grass in the outfield.

Unfortunately a crucial catch was spilled in the second over as two fielders collided attempting a high catch, and opener Mike Rosewarn subsequently scored 81 which was the difference between the sides. Ross Baker (2-24) returned in his second spell to dismiss the hard hitting batsman but by then the damage had been inflicted.

Other wickets followed for Aidey Phillips (2-33) who also took two catches and Rob Meech and veteran Dave Penman also claimed a wicket.

Beaminster's batsmen struggled on the slow pitch in pursuit as wickets fell at regular intervals.

The returning Ali Crawford was the most fluent with 24, but youngsters Leo Gurd (28), Will Murley (15 not out) and Lewis Keenan (14) all made positive contributions to ensure Beaminster gained batting points.

SHILLINGSTONE 2ND (7) 205 ALL OUT LOST TO DORCHESTER 2ND (20) 209-4 BY 6 WICKETS

THIS was a good win for Dorchester 2nd's who in beating second placed Shillingstone 2nds took closer order at the top of Division Three.

Losing the toss, they started well in the field, and Mike Peake (2-43) and Eiron Fitzgerald who bowled straight through taking 3-32 off his nine overs, had the hosts struggling at 65-5.

However Tim Cowley changed that as he thumped 16 fours on his way to a superb 91, and with the support of Will Morgan (12) and Harry Paulley (16) he was eventually last man out as Shillingstone set a target of 205, with Nathan Quinn bagging 2-50, and Jack Taylor 2-15.

Dorchester found themselves in trouble early on in reply at 9-2 with both opening bowlers bowling particularly Bob Scott (2-11 from nine) impressive.

However, Malcolm Stroudley and Mike Peak batted sensibly to see them off before starting to accelerate the scoring. The pair put on 135 for the third wicket before Stroudley was dismissed for 81 (12x4).

Dorchester then lost a further two quick wickets bringing Ben Macklin to the crease with 47 required off the last six overs.

With 40 needed off the last four overs Peak and Macklin with some good running and a few boundaries levelled the score with one over remaining, and skipper Peak made sure blasting the first ball to the boundary to finish unbeaten with an excellent 80* (7x4, 1x6), and Macklin an extremely valuable 15 not out.

County Division Four
WAREHAM (6) 88 ALL OUT LOST TO ABBOTSBURY (28) 137 ALL OUT BY 49 RUNS

AN excellent bowling performance made up for a poor batting display by Abbotsbury as they defeated Wareham.

With several key players missing, vice captain Steve Budd shuffled the line up. Openers Simon Allen (17) and Robin Potter (4) gave them a solid start with a stand of but nobody could totally master the hosts bowlers. Kynan Brian contributed 14 runs but the Swans were unable to build any substantial batting partnerships as the Wareham attack continued to take wickets, although they did keep the scorer busy in the wides column.

Chas Duerdoth (24) benefited from a dropped catch and was threatening a big innings when he holed out and the hosts dismissed the Swans for a modest 137.

In defending a low total, Abbotsbury needed to strike early and they did just that. Spinner Krish Subramanian (2-11) struck in the first over, whilst fellow opening bowler Chas Duerdoth (4-15) then got in the act, bowling Wareham captain Martin Upshall for two and then produced a double wicket maiden in his fourth over to leave the hosts reeling on 16-5.

That soon became 24- 7 as Duerdoth and Subramanian both claimed a further scalp, while the latter's replacement., Jay Lintern, (1-27) removed Reece Whitty (2), aided by an excellent low catch at mid on by Nick Kneebone.

Wareham avoided complete humiliation as some late order hitting from Stuart Paton (11) and Jamie Upshall (22 not out) moved the score past the seventy mark and raise home hopes of an unlikely win.

However, an accurate throw from Duerdoth allowed wicketkeeper Steve Budd to run out Paton and a magnificent flying catch behind the stumps by Budd removed Upshall.

Ryan Snook (12) chanced his arm with three boundaries but failed to connect with another heave and was bowled, Wareham concluding their innings on 88.

SWANAGE 2ND (8) 184 ALL OUT LOST TO CHARLTON DOWN (20) 195-7 BY 3 WICKETS

CHARLTON Down remain unbeaten following this victory over Swanage 2nds. Asked to field, they had an early success when Dan Stevens (3-15) bowled Peter Baczala (7).

Tim Ives (32) and Cameron Beard (69) tested the visiting bowlers as they added 82, and a challenging score looked possible before Javed Gill dismissed both and Craig Wells in quick succession.

Although Pete Barker (18*) found some support from Andrew Baczala (18) before he became Gill's fourth victim (4-$2) rest crumbled under the bowling of Alex Campbell (3-44) and the returning Stevens.

Charlton Down did look down and out in reply as they slumped to 45-5, but were rescued by the Stevens brothers. They added 69 for the sixth wicket before Dan (24) departed, but Gill (9) and Kim Park (13*) helped Matt Steven (74*) see them home with plenty to spare.

County Division Five
MARTINSTOWN 2ND (20) 137-5 BEAT BERE REGIS 2ND (5) 136 ALL OUT BY 5 WICKETS

MARTINSTOWN moved further away from the bottom with this win over fellow strugglers Bere Regis.

Phil Turner (3-22) cleared out the visitors top three before they met resistance from Dave Scott (43) and Jacob White (30) who shared a stand of 72, but after John Stewart (1-26) dismissed Scott, the spinners Alex Pipe (3-2) and Tony Jacobs (2-14) took care of the rest leaving a target of 137.

Martinstown's reply was based on a second wicket partnership of 72 between Ollie Gargrave (56) and Jack Cane (37) allowing them to coast home with ten overs to spare.

County Division Six
PORTLAND RT 2ND (20) 113-3 BEAT WIMBORNE & COLEHILL 4RD (3) 110 ALL OUT BY 7 WICKETS

HAVING dismissed their opponents for a gettable 113 all out, Triangle 2nds had a shock to find themselves 14-3 in reply. However an unbroken fourth wicket stand between Tim Forshaw and George Linley-Munro (17*) saw them home in 18 overs. Forshaw was particularly punishing with 11x4 and 3x6 as his finished on 75 not out.

◆ HARD HITTING INNINGS: Tim Forshawe

Top batting performances: Simon Browne (Weymouth) 121 not out; Malcolm Stroudley (Dorchester 2nd) 81; Mike Peak (Dorchester 2nd) 80 not out; Tim Forshaw (Portland RT 2nd) 75 not out; Matt Stevens (Charlton Down) 74 not out; Jon Legg (Cattistock) 73; Ben Lawes (Martinstown) 72; Simon Mitchem (Dorchester) 64 not out; Elliott Sawyer (Portland RT) 58; Ollie Gargrave (Martinstown 2nd) 56; Paul Payne (Weymouth) 52.

Top bowling performances: Liam Toohill (Cattistock) 4-12; Chas Duerdoth (4-15).

Indoor bowls

Spurs go top as the rest flop

MIKE Loud, Kay Cox and Anne Parkins' Spurs are the new leaders of the Morning League after another week of high drama, after all three of last week's joint leaders; Gunners, Canaries and Toffees; all lost!

Spurs had a 10-6 win over Hammers, but the Gunners were beaten 17-8 by the Glovers of Rose and Chris Everest and Barbara Jenkins.

Meanwhile the Canaries were knocked off their perch by Cliff Pitcher, Phil Benton and Keith Jenkins's Foxes 13-7, and Millie Meech, Phil Tattershall and Phil Hedges's Chelsea Pensioners beat the Toffees 17-7.

The Red Devils of Pat and Martin Waters and Tony Harrison's are now also just a point behind the leaders after a 13-11 win over the Potters, whilst A 2, 4 finish by Gerry Moss, Chris Clarke and Barry Mapson's Magpies earned them a 12-12 draw with Mary Hansford, Margaret Fifield and Brian Cattell's Cherries.

In the Evening League, Fencers had their lead cut to two points after being trampled 21-11 by Brian Toms, Reg Dodd and Phil Hedges's Equestrians.

Steve Glover, Eric White and Keith Jenkins's Pugilists dished out a knock out finish of 1, 2, 3, 2, 4 to fell the Hurdlers 19-8 to close in on the Fencers.

Val Dodd, Erica Sarson and Barry Mapson's Divers had a treasure trove finish of 1,4,3 to beat the Decathletes 21-8.

Meanwhile Darren Simpson, Penny and Robin Pither's Swimmers left the Cyclists behind with a 22-12 win, whilst Sue Caen,Peter Hunt and Kevin Moys Hunters had big 6, 4, 4 counts to beat the Rowers 18-10.

The Wrestlers are still pointless, suffering their tenth defeat on the trot to Di Neal, Derek Earwood and Margaret Pestelle's Gymnasts 14-8.

Bridport Bowls

More success at county level

THERE was more County success for Bridport with Frances Hewitt & Margaret Clapp beating Cutler and Miller from Broadstone to reach the final of the Ladies pairs to be played at Lyme Regis in September where they will meet the Poole Park pair of Leake & Cresswell. The semi-final victory also sees them qualify to represent Dorset in the national finals in Leamington Spa next month.

Bridport Ladies found life difficult when they travelled to face Division One leaders BROADSTONE A. Laura Taylor, Janet Tattershall, Delphine Street, Pat Cornick lost 13-31 while Pamela Daters, Jill Wilcox, Marion Carter & Rosemary Brooks could so easily have won. Down 16-18 at the 17th end a conversion by the home skip from 3 down to 1 up on the next end resulted in a loss 17-23.

Although Frances Hewitt, Sheila Jones, Alison Tibble & Margaret Clapp won 20-13 it wasn't enough as Bridport (2 pts) went down 50-76 overall.

Bottom side Bridport B fared no better in Division Two, going down 39-71 at home to WIMBORNE. All three rinks lost; Liz Neumann, Chris Robbins, Margaret Strange & Dinah Wilson 13-20, Lyn Craddock, Janet Bird, Jean Seadon & Marion Tocher 16-19 and Joan Griffiths, Pam Gray, Diane S Butcher & Pauline Newitt 10-32 meaning no points.

The club had no success either in the Edna Paisley Triples League, Bridport Blue and Red losing to GREENHILL Blue and Gold respectively.

There was no sentiment around in Men's DL West Division One where leaders Bridport A whitewashed their lowly colleagues Bridport A. They won all their games to triumph 67-41 and claim all ten points.

In West Division Two bottom side Bridport B lost against 50-60 against second placed LYME REGIS 2. Scores; Chris Hall, Arthur Stone, Roger Herbert & Phillip Wilson 16-17. Brian Stone, David Aylott, Dave Smith & Mike Craddock 18-21 and Sam Dunn, Brian Pratt, Peter Carnell & Mel Griffiths 15-21.

Lyme Regis Golf

Gibson grabs championship

THE Seniors' Club Championship was fated as the wether had the final say, so based on the first round scores, current holder Keith Gibson made it three in a row by having the best gross score of 79 from Roger Turner in second place with 81.

Peter Tinsley finished in 3rd but took the Handicap Championship from Charles Lane in 2nd and Keith Gibson in third.

The Midweek stableford saw George Yorke first with 39 points narrowly beating Stuart Scott (38) with Steve Mudford in third place.

The Junior stableford saw Lewis Gibbons and Alfie Crisp tussle it out both finishing on 33 points with Lewis winning on countback.

Lyme Regis Bowls

Poole pose problems

THERE was a mixed bag of results from the league teams this week, ranging from whitwashes to 10 pointers!

The championship side were on the wrong end of a 10-0 trashing at Poole Park although the overall scores were quite close.

Lyme 2 men fared much better in Division Two against Bridport B, with a timely 8-2 win and the losing rink only dipping out by a single shot. The men had a resounding win away at Wellworthy in the South Dorset League winning on all 3 rinks.

The ladies only managed to secure three points away at Poole Park. Both friendlies ended in defeat.

West Dorset Men Div 2; Lyme Regis 60 Bridport B 50; N Solomon, J Moseley, D Pomeroy, R Legg 21-18; R McLennan, P Stephens, E Skeemer, D Meylan 16-17; S Dowling, A Nabarro, B Parsons, D Wood 23-15.

Dorset Ladies Div 1; Lyme Regis 52 Poole Park 61 - A Allman, C Pomeroy, S Rowe, P Weech 18-18; J Moffitt, J Bishop, L Broom, N Stephens 12-30; H Dowling, J Kesterton, A Rattenbury, J Parsons 22-13.

Friendlies:

Lyme Regis 77 Honiton 98 - J Barnish, J Owen, D Pomeroy, J Moseley 9-19; A Foster, B Smith, P Knight, N Solomon 18-20; P Ward, S Bond, K Clissold, D Wood 16-22; B Downes, P Stephens, T Payne, S Pomeroy 16-20; F Sell, D Read, N Bond, B Rattenbury 18-18.

Lyme Regis 75 Paignton & Torbay 103 - V Henson, B Smith, S Wood, B Parsons 11-20; T Young, M Bartlett, N Bond, J Moseley 20-18; T Payne, D Courtenay-Smith, D Wood 11-25; B Downes, P Moseley, A Nabarro, N Benson 16-20; L Young, S Bond, A Henson, P Moffitt 17-20.

Bridport Gig Club

Bronze for Bridport in home regatta

BRIDPORT gig rowing club recently hosted their annual regatta.

Continuing their good form throughout the season so far, Bridport put out a strong squad against teams from Lyme Regis, Weymouth, Brixham, Langstone, Clifton, Torridge, Exmouth, Swanage, Sidmouth and Portland.

Races took place in categories comprising; Men's and Ladies A, B and C, juniors, veterans and supervets and a mixed race.

The day began with some tough rowing conditions around the kite-shaped, 2km course; consisting of three stroke side buoy turns and a long sprint to the finish line. Throughout the morning conditions improved making for a brilliant day of competitive racing.

This begun with the men's B and A races, where Bridport secured 4th and 3rd places respectively.

Following this the junior race, over a slightly shorter course produced a photo finish between Bridport and Brixham with the hosts securing their first win of the day.

Bridport's Ladies B finished 3rd, beaten narrowly by Torridge and Brixham, while the Ladies' A crew had a battle all the way down the last leg finishing 4th on the line.

Two men's C crews, rowing in Dagger and Blaez competed in the same race.

The Dagger crew coming first while their colleagues finished 10th.

The ladies C1 and C2 crews secured 4th and 7th respectively.

Next was the turn of the over 40s veterans in with the men entering two crews finishing in 4th and 9th.

The supervets (over 50s) race saw Bridport's men gain 5th while the Ladies' supervets finished 6th.

The mixed race - every boat was entered which made for a field of 13 - Bridport put out a Dagger crew and a Blaez crew.

The Dagger crew rowed across the line in 4th and the Blaez 7th.

Once racing had finished, the overall winners Brixham received a wonderful trophy made by local boat builder Roman Rodriguez. Second place went to Lyme Regis and Bridport secured 3rd.

The club would like to thank all the visiting clubs, organisers, rowers, helpers, supporters, makers, bakers, umpires and captains for making the regatta such a success.

The cake stall made over £200 for the junior fund and other money raised will go towards a new boat.

If you would like more information about the club visit www.bridportgigclub.org.

◆ **FIRST HOME:** The winning Bridport junior crew, from left; Kevin Batchelor (Cox), Morgan Barnes, Tim Girling, Essie Stone, junior captain Tom Ramsden, Josh Hamblett-Edwards, Oli Day. *Photo by SALLY KING*

Bridport Rugby

New sponsors

BLACK AND WHITE IT Company were first out the hat in the draw, entered by 70 local companies, at the Bridport Rugby Club annual draw to be the club's main sponsor for the forthcoming 2017 season.

The prize for winning will be a logo on the club's shirts for the forthcoming season in the Dorset & Wilts 2 South League and two tickets for an England Six Nations match at Twickenham.

Second prize was won by FRESHWATER CARAVAN PARK, last year's and third prize went to KENNEDY'S ESTATE AGENTS. Both will have their logos on the new shirts sleeves and all entrants will be entered onto the club's website and on the sponsors board advertised at the clubhouse.

The club are set to commence training under new coach Wes Lewis. Who has returned to the club as the new player/coach following his time at Cardiff University and working for Cardiff Blues and London Irish.

All new players are welcome to attend training when it starts on Thursday, July 21st at 7pm.

The club is keen to re-introduce a second XV this season which will offer opportunities for young and experienced players to play at a social level whilst enjoying the experience of being part of the club and supporting the first XV.

For more info contact club captain Tom Gamwell (tomgamwell@gmail.com) or chairman Allan Staerck (astaerck@hotmail.co.uk).

Bridport & West Dorset Golf

Giantkilling in league cup!

IAN Kearley's captain's weekend saw a Stableford for all sections of the club and 56 members took part.

The men's winner was Russell Weller(19) with 39 points. In second was Kevin Jones(8) with 37 and third, after count-back, was Kelvin Dawe(15) with 36. First lady was Judy Walters(15)with 32 and was second Julie Oliver(15) with 31.

The junior prize was won by Pat Harper with 30. There was an additional prize for ex-members and this was won by Rob Edwardes.

There was good turnout of 74 for the Sunday competition which was a men's Stableford incorporating The Chorley Cup. Andrew Blackmore (Division Three) carded 37 points. Mike Savage toipped Division One with 33 points with Colin Hore winning Division Two with 35.

RESULTS: Division One - 1st Mike Savage(9) 33 points, 2nd Lewis Craddock(8) 32, 3rd (acb) Steve Crabb(6) 31. **Division Two** – 1st Colin Hore(16) 35, 2nd (acb) Ken Stead(13) 34, 3rd Howard Mills(18) 34. **Division Three** – (Chorley Cup) Andrew Blackmore(19) 37, 2nd Larwence Turner(22) 35, 3rd Ian Pincombe(26) 33.

An evening event raised money for the captain's charity '*The On Course Foundation*'.

Larwence Turner(22) topped the **Midweek Stableford** field with 33 points. Runner-up was Dave Howat(16) with 32 and in third was Peter May(27) scoring 31.

In the **League cup** quarter-final the Bridport team knocked out RUSHMORE, a team two divisions above them, after a play-off involving Ian Thacker and Gary Edwardes.

Veteran's Section; There was a large turnout of 55 for the veteran's single division, self-entry Stableford.

Brian Walsh(16) came out on top with 38 points, just ahead of Brian Savery(19) with 37. In third place with 36 was Roger Pollock(20) beating Roy Mathisen(24) on count-back. The fifth prize-winner, also after count-back, was Dougie Howells(19) with 34.

Ladies Section *by Di Neal*

AN EG Medal and 4th round of The Centenary Cup was played on Saturday and Tuesday.

Results; Division 1&2 - 1st Lyn Jessop 104-26=78 on count back from 2nd Toshiko Rickets 94-16=78. **Division 3** - 1st Helen Campbell 114-31=83 on count back from 2nd Avril Brown 118-35=83.

Higher handicap Ladies played a Stableford and the 4th round of The Andrews Cup. The winner was Di Neal with Jean Stephens runner-up.

Wednesday saw the annual 'Friday Fours' day out at Wheathill GC. The winners were Carole Hedley & Keith Harvey.

Liz Thompson, Viv Gill and Sally Woolminton won all three games at Dudsbury in the Parkin Cup.

One of the best years on record

ADDRESSING a packed hall full of students and families at Sir John Colfox Academy annual Sports Presentation Evening, Headteacher David Herbert congratulated them on another exceptional year.

The year has been one of the best on record including the resurgence of cricket in the school which was highlighted with over 25 matches played, with all teams progressing to the quarter or semi-final stages of county cup competitions. The U13 team have made the regional final.

He also thanked the PE staff for arranging over 150 fixtures . He explained that this was more than all but one local school and, with only six staff, this was exceptional dedication, as some others schools had three times as many.

He also dispelled the argument of some, that time out of school to attend sporting events meant students miss out academically. Mr Herbert explained that at Colfox those who have been busiest in a wide variety of sports are achieving grades at least one above the average.

A number of trips to sporting events have allowed the students to gain a better understanding of what top level sport looks like, as well as experiencing big game atmospheres at stadiums.

Head of PE, Gary Littlechild said: "Providing the students the opportunity to attend these occasions is a vital part of what we do in the department."

Listing the individual achievements of the various winners confirmed the exceptional standards and variety of sports in which they participated, after which they received their award from the sponsors.

It was a case of déjà vu for one sponsor; Peter Wyrill of Raw Media. Last year he had the honour of presenting the Sports Person of the Year Award to his son George. This year he sponsored the Sporting Achievement Outside School and found that the winner was his younger son Henry!

A new addition to the evening on top of the usual awards saw school colours presented to recognise outstanding achievement in a sport, which were presented by former school governor Bob Hall.

This year's winners were: **Year 7**: Sportsman – Mannie Wellman; Sportswoman – Jessica Herbert (*Sponsor: Bathroom Inspirations for both*); **Year 8**: Sportsman – Harry Burwood; (*Advanced Card Bureau*) Sportswoman – Daisy Parsons (*Burton Bradstock Cars*); **Year 9**: Sportsman – Nat Wormington; Sportswoman – *Hannah Bowell (Bathroom Aspirations* - both); **Year 10**: Sportsman – Dan Elliott (*Advanced Card Bureau*); Sportswoman – Rhiannon Parker (*Raw Media*); **Year 11**: Sportsman – Kieran Dunning; **Sportswoman** – Olivia Symes; **Young Leader**: Samantha Courtice (*Sponsor: Advanced Card Bureau*); **Sporting Achievement Outside School**: Henry Wyrill (*Raw Media*); **Team**: Year 8 Cricket Team (*Raw Media*); **Fair Play**: Harry Tompkins (*Burton Bradstock cars*); **Sports Person**: Dale James (*Advanced Card Bureau*)

The list of school colour awards and more photos will appear in next week's paper.

◆ **YEAR 7 SPORTSWOMAN:** Jessica Herbert with Paul Ackerman of sponsors Bathroom Inspirations and PE teacher Julia May and Head of Department Gary Littlechild

Lyme Sailing

Double for Joe & Will

THE first race on Sunday was the Goodman Trophy followed by the second of the Mid Summer Series, all sailed on handicap.

Race officer Tony Fastnedge found an actual SSW blowing F4 rising to F5 as the morning progressed, which meant his windward leg of 5/8 mile set to the forecast SW direction left shortened downwind legs as he had to swing the course to fit the sea room.

He chose a gybe mark angle of 80 degrees to allow the asymmetrics to carry their spinnakers on both downwind legs.

This gave them the chance to sail to their handicaps, a fair comparison with the Albacores and Lasers. Even so, the tide on the second leg took the boats to the east.

Sailing six laps as against five for the other RS800 competing, meant that Joe Joyner & Will Broom conceded line honours to James Fuller & Simon Clark but won comfortably on corrected time.

All other competitors in the Goodman trophy sailed four laps. Dave Stubbs, sailing with his son Ed, retired after a capsize leaving nine finishers. Max Smith & Laser Radial ended 5th, two minutes behind Joss Kent (Albacore).

In the series race which followed, Dave Guthrie in his Phantom split the two RS800s, with Joe & Will again first, a shorter race in a stronger wind and building sea.

Hilton Davis and Hugh Duncan in their K1s completed only part of the race.

For the John Chase Cup for Cruisers, Rob Walker gave Keith Thompson a close race to the finish, a tough contest where crews Sharyn Walker and Kaye Thompson had to work particularly hard.

Results

Goodman Trophy *(incorporating Mid Summer Series Race 1); 1 Joe Joyner & Will Broom (RS 800), 2nd James Fuller & Simon Clark (RS 800), 3rd Joss Kent (Albacore).*

Mid Summer Series Race 2*; 1st Joe Joyner & Will Broom (RS 800), 2nd Dave Guthrie (Phantom), 3rd James Fuller & Simon Clark (RS 800).*

Cruiser John Chase Cup Middle Distance*; 1st Keith & Kaye Thompson (Parker), 2nd Rob & Sharyn Walker (Parker).*

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Division One	Pld	Pts
Who's Darted	6	24
Four Caret Gold	6	22
Job Lot	6	19
Beer on us	6	18
Anchor Pirates	6	17
Dat Anchor	6	17
Against the Odds	6	9

Division Two	Pld	Pts
The Social Clubbers	7	36
Ade's Oddballs	7	24
Midnight Runners	7	23
Flashes Four	7	15
Pat the Hat	7	15
Four Musketeers	7	13

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INSIDE: Local sport round-up

Early injury woes for Terras

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WEYMOUTH'S injury problems have started before the season has begun!

Both Sam Jordan and Charlie Davis had to be substituted during their first pre-season friendly against Exeter City at the Bob Lucas Stadium on Friday with ankle injuries, although it appears neither are serious.

Striker Jordan signed from Toolstation League Premier Division side Bradford Town in the summer hobbled off midway through the first half, whilst Davis, a summer signing who played for Dorchester Town last season suffered the same problem toward the end of the game having come on as a half-time substitute.

However manager Jason Matthews believes neither is serious, and has no problem that they will soon be back in action.

Two of the trialists who turned out against the Grecians are familiar to West Dorset fans.

Keeper Dan Thomas had a spell at Dorchester Town five years ago, as did winger Dan Smith who was also at The Avenue and played for the Terras before.

Matthews who has decided to play again this season has been impressed by Thomas, and has said he would stand aside if someone better came along.

Exeter City who also used the game to check out some trialists of their own, won with a goal in each half. They took the lead just before the interval when Jordan Moore-Taylor headed home from a corner, before Robbie Simpson fired home a low shot with 20 minutes left for a 2-0 victory.

Magpies return for Critchell?

KYLE Critchell could be set for a return to The Avenue following his involvement in Dorchester Town's first pre-season friendly of the season against Yeovil Town last night (Tuesday).

The 29-year-old defender spent almost three seasons with the Magpies, making 92 appearances before rejoining Weymouth from where he had three previous spells.

Manager Mark Jermyn said: "He is coming along and we will be assessing his fitness levels, and take it from there."

Whilst summer signings Ben Wood and Nick Swann made their debuts for the Magpies, the third Mario Mateus, was absent due to a work commitment, but will be playing on Saturday when the Magpies entertain Wessex League outfit Blackfield & Langley (ko3pm).

Blues brothers!

PORTLAND United have completed the signing of Max Buckler who will join his brother Sam at the Grove this season.

Midfielder Max recently returned from a six month trip to New Zealand and joined pre-season training last week.

Manager Gary Bailey has confirmed that the club are pleased with their additions this summer and that they are not looking to add to the squad.

◆ **RETURNING?** Kyle Critchell could be back in the black and white of Dorchester Town.

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